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ENGLISH AFFAIRS.

LABOR DIFFICULTIES—THE CONSEQUENCE OF LOW RENTS.

From Our Own Correspondent.

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The commercial prosperity of the country which a couple of years since was, as Mr. Gladstone said, advancing by leaps and bounds, has lately been going at rather a halting pace. It has been found to be impossible to do business at the high prices which have been suddenly established in certain trades, and which had become the aim of all classes of producers and purveyors. The markets have consequently fallen, and the question now is whether wages are to fall too. The employers very naturally say yes; the working men, equally naturally, say no; and the result is a series of strikes all over the country. Logic is, in this instance, certainly on the side of the masters, but questions of this kind are decided, not by force of logic, but by superiority of endurance. As wages went up because prices went up, it seems only reasonable that wages should be lowered when prices fall; the men, however, argue that the increase of wages which they obtained was only what had long been due to them, and decline to submit to the proposed reduction. It is now simply a contest of strength, and it is probable that the masters will show that they are better able to hold out than the men. Both in the coal and iron trades the latter have given indications that they are not prepared for very resolute resistance. The truth is, that the rise of wages was accompanied by a very considerable increase of expenditure, and workmen, with their pockets full, made haste to empty them as fast as possible, and imagined that the golden age was to last forever. They have now been awakened from this delusion, and when the alternative is pressed upon them of accepting a reduced wage or "going on the box"—as the phrase is for drawing on the funds of the unions—it may be expected that the habits they have contracted will dispose them to shrink from the semi-starvation of a protracted strike. They feel bound, of course, to protest against any diminution of wages, and will resist for a time, just to test how far the masters are in earnest; but it is not likely that, in the present state of affairs, they will remain out very long.

THE AGRICULTURAL REVOLUTION.

In the eastern counties of England a very bitter conflict, which inconsiderate and reckless persons are doing their best to inflame, has broken out between the farmers and their laborers. The latter have joined the union which was started a couple of years ago, with its new head-quarters in Warwickshire, and have followed this act of intimidation, as the farmers consider it, by demanding an extra shilling a week. This has been refused. The laborers have consequently struck on one or two farms, and the farmers generally have retaliated by locking out all union men, and declaring that henceforth they will employ only non-unionists. It is said that the landlords are supporting the farmers in this policy, and that they have even gone so far as to threaten to eject tenants who do not hold aloof from all relations with the unionists. The object is, of course, to break down the union at once, and there can be no doubt there is force in the farmers' argument that the demand for an additional shilling is only the first step, and that to give way now would encourage the unionists to go on raising their terms, and dictating the way in which farms are to be managed. At the same time, the farmers will probably find that, in assailing the union in this manner, they are knocking their heads against a stone wall. The masters in other trades were often victorious in resisting an increase of wages, but they have never in any case succeeded in crushing a union. Dr. Fraser, the Bishop of Manchester, an impulsive and not very strong-headed man, has injudiciously rushed into the fray, declaring, in a letter to the *Times*, that the farmers were mad, and that, if they persist in their opposition to the demand of the unionists, they will precipitate a peasant war. At present the laborers in the Newmarket district are paid thirteen shillings a week, and they ask fourteen shillings. But Bishop Fraser holds that they cannot live decently on less than sixteen shillings a week, which would be a serious advance for the farmers to submit to all at once. It should be remembered these statements are made as to the cash wages of the agricultural laborer—that they do not represent the whole of his income. He receives, in addition, various allowances, and his family, if he has one, have also opportunities of earning money. There can be no doubt, however, that taking the most favorable view of the matter, the laborer's existence is wretched and debased, and a scandal to the country. The amiable enthusiasts and malicious agitators who have combined to stir up poor Hodge to claim higher wages, have precipitated a movement which was certain to follow from various social and economic causes, but they have rendered the existing race of laborers a very equivocal service. If farming was properly conducted the laborer's position would unquestionably be elevated; but then a large proportion of the present laborers are not fit for this elevation. Their earnings, though small, are just about as much as they are worth. The only way to raise wages is to introduce better farming, which means better farmers and better laborers. This may come in time, but from the present generation there is not much to be hoped.

THE CURSE OF LOW RENTS.

Bishop Fraser, in urging the farmers to give way to the men, suggests that they can recoup themselves by compelling the landlords to reduce their rents in proportion as wages rise. This is a very good example of the confusion of mind which exists on this subject. The root of the whole evil of the existing agricultural system is that rents are already too low. It is too much the fashion in England for landlords to purchase the subserviency of their tenants by allowing them to hold their land on easy terms. Land is prized by proprietors not for the sake of its commercial uses, but for the sake of the political and social influence which is associated with it; and the fact that land generally does not pay more than three per cent. shows the price they are willing to pay for this sort of authority. It is because rents are so low that farmers are, in many parts of the country, so lazy and inefficient. There is not sufficient competition. A quiet man who contrives to scrape together enough for his rent, and who touches his hat to the squire, and votes as he is told, may sit for life, however badly he may farm. The proprietor, as a rule, cares very little what his estates produce as long as they are peopled by a docile and submissive tenantry. Anybody accustomed to the rude independence of our English towns might fancy himself among quite another people when he goes into the the country parts and observes the almost Oriental servility of peasants and farmers. This state of things is gradually being shaken up by increasing communication between country folks and townspeople, and by the attraction of higher incomes in towns, which is certainly draining off the population of the rural districts. The relations between landlords and their tenantry are thus becoming more commercial, and the consequence will be that the landlords for the sake of higher rents will insist upon a higher class of farmers, who, in their turn, will require the assistance of a superior class of laborers. Emigration and the steam plow are likely to be the final results of the strikes. Americans, Russian and Hungarian supplies are working a revolution in English agriculture, and the production of cattle rather than of corn is becoming its principal object.

M. FROUDE'S NEW BOOK.

The concluding volumes of M. Froude's *The English in Ireland* have just been issued, and will no doubt raise a howl in Ireland, and especially as they appear at a moment when the Irish are eager for a grievance. Mr. Froude undoubtedly lays himself open to severe criticism in regard to the bitter scorn and sometimes almost savageness of his language; and he relies too confidently on the testimony which he has unearthed from the secret papers of the English Government. But his work has the inestimable value of being a candid and outspoken history of a period which has hitherto been obscured by systematic lying. What are called the "nationalist" histories of Ireland are, for the most part, pure fiction, and supply ludicrously false interpretations of many important events. M. Froude brings out very clearly the difficulties of the English Government. They attempted to govern Ireland through a Protestant Parliament, representing a minority of the people. This Parliament was continually taking advantage of the delicate relations between the two countries, whenever England was in difficulties, through war or otherwise, in order to extract bribes in the shape of places, pensions, or titles. The increasingly exorbitant demands of the Parliament managers led the Government to try the effect of using the Catholics as a counterpoise, but every effort at conciliation on this side only showed that the Catholics would be content with nothing but ascendency, and that ascendency implied, if Ireland was to be separate and independent, the establishment of a Roman Catholic State, governed from Rome, and constantly intriguing for Romish purposes against the interests of Great Britain. It is known that down at least to a comparatively modern day the Roman Catholics of Ireland regarded themselves as a dispossessed race, and handed down in secret the title-deeds of the estates which had once belonged to their families. And there can be no doubt that, if Ireland had at any time been given up to them, they would have made short work with Protestant proprietors. This was, in fact, a recurring feature in almost every Irish rising. Whether the Protestant colonists could have held their ground against the Roman Catholics without the aid of England may be doubted, though Mr. Froude seems to think that they could. In any case, Ireland would have been plunged in strife and misery of the most hopeless kind, and England would, sooner or later, have had to interfere. The great mistake of the English Government was in being content with trying to keep Ireland quiet by contract with the "undertakers," instead of taking care that Ireland should be properly governed. Mr. Froude does not spare the stupidity and mean selfishness of the English authorities. He holds that they should either have given up the island or done their work thoroughly and honorably; but he also demonstrates the hopelessness of self-government in Ireland as a country apart from England. Ireland has too small a population, and the population is too mixed, to stand alone, and its nearness to England makes it indispensable that it should unite its fortunes with its richer and more powerful neighbor. Mr. Froude's exposure of the sham patriots of Ireland will fall in with the predominant opinion of the hour. The Home Rulers, who voted in the recent discussions with Mr. Butt—fifty in all—have received the name which has somehow been attached to the Fiftieth Regiment of the British Army, "The Dirty Half Hundred." It appears, however, that they are still likely to figure conspicuously this session. J. H. F.

NEW-JERSEY TOWN ELECTIONS.

The town elections in New-Jersey were completed this week, and, although in the aggregate they show slight Republican losses, in general that party holds its own. The questions at issue were not so much of a political character, but rather as to whether the candidates favored the laying out of roads in certain localities, the building and site of a school-house, the care of the poor, and other matters of exclusively local importance. And yet, to judge from the ecstacy which some of the journals of that State exhibit at the election of a Democratic pound-keeper or a Republican constable, and the enthusiasm with which they herald the "great victory," one would think that the whole nation's fate depended upon this momentous decision. The elections for County Freeholders (a body of the same powers as our Supervisors) show that the Republicans have complete control of eleven of the twenty-one boards, one (Middlesex) is a tie, and the other nine are Democratic. One of these (Somerset) was lost by the Republicans having elected a Democratic Freeholder in a strong Republican township upon a Union ticket. The positive gains are the Mercer County Board by the Republicans, and the Hudson, Union, Monmouth, and Morris County Boards by the Democrats—the latter by only two majority. Monmouth County was carried by the Republicans last year for the only time in a generation, by a Democratic division. Of the cities, Newark and Elizabeth voted last Fall, the former going Republican—except on Mayor—and the latter Democratic. This Spring the Republicans carried nearly all the cities in South Jersey—except the Mayor in Camden—and made material gains in several others. They also carry New-Brunswick, Bloomfield, Montclair, Plainfield, and a part of the ticket in Paterson. The Democracy carried Jersey City, Hoboken, Bayonne, Orange, Rahway, Morristown, and Newton. In several places citizens' tickets were chosen without regard to politics, and in others temperance was the only issue. As a whole the Republicans of New-Jersey have done full as well as they could have anticipated, and while the Spring elections are no criterion as to the general political result, so far as they were made matter of direct contest, they indicate that that party can retain control of the State at the general elections in the Fall.

CARPET-MAKING IN PHILADELPHIA.

The *Ledger* gives some figures showing the importance of carpet weaving in Philadelphia as an industrial interest. For twenty-five years it has been steadily increasing, until within the last eight years the aggregate amount of ingrain carpet made there exceeds the total of similar goods manufactured elsewhere throughout the United States. There are now in Philadelphia about 250 factories, with 4,000 looms, and before the strike the production averaged 14,000 pieces of 125 yards each, or 1,750,000 yards per month, or 17,500,000 yards for the ten months that the factories are in operation. In the busy season about 6,000 persons are employed in the factories directly, independent of the dyers and others remotely interested, involving a monthly outlay for wages of about $300,000. The amount of capital invested may be estimated from the fact that the yearly sales of carpets alone reach over $15,000,000.

FRANCE.

RECENT ELECTIONS—M. THIERS ON FORTIFYING PARIS.

From Our Own Correspondent.

PARIS, Monday, March 30, 1874.

At the time I write, the full returns from the elections of yesterday have not been received, but we have quite enough to show that the Republicans have triumphed in both cases. They have a majority large enough to stop all cavil, and all attempts to explain the vote by pleading any of the usual accidents. And just behind the Republican candidate in the Gironde came the Bonapartist, several thousands of votes ahead of the Monarchist who was patronized by the Government. Up to 2 o'clock this morning Gen. Bertrand was more than six thousand ahead of Admiral Larrieu. The Bonapartists are blamed a little for dividing the conservative party in this way, but I imagine they are acting wisely. We find that the entire Conservative vote cast was not up to the Republican figure, and hence there would have been no chance of electing the Royalist Admiral if the Bonapartist General had not come forward. His presentation was for the purpose of demonstrating what I have always claimed—that there are two parties in the country, and that the only possible chance for the Conservatives is to unite upon a Bonapartist. As this appears about as bad as the election of a Radical, they run all sorts of risks, and see a Republican returned in every election. At Marseilles the success of the Republican candidate was a foregone conclusion, however, and hence it made no manner of difference how many candidates the Conservatives brought into the field, but in the Haute-Marne it is a very different matter. The Monarchists have always claimed a majority there, and it was regarded as an Orleanist stronghold. The Bonapartist organs predicted the defeat of the Orleanist candidate, but, having brought out Gen. Bertrand in the Gironde, for the purpose of a demonstration, they agreed to continue it in the Haute-Marne by voting for the Royalist. This they did, and the Republican was elected by a very considerable majority. The general results thus far have shown that the Conservatives cannot succeed unless they unite upon a Bonapartist; that the only two Conservatives elected in these partial elections are two men who came out boldly with Bonapartist manifestos; that in every case where a candidate presented himself as a Legitimist, Orleanist, Conservative, or MacMahonian, he was ignominously defeated by the Republican candidate. Yet nothing will be learned from these experiences. M. De Broglie thinks that the errors of the people are most deplorable, and the only way he sees for bringing them to reason is to curtail the right of suffrage. He said, the other day, that a popular vote was nothing but the brutal reign of numbers, and that popular suffrage would keep the *élite* of the country out of public life. If M. De Broglie claims this term for himself and friends, it must be confessed that popular suffrage did keep them in retirement for many years, but the people may dispute the right of the Duc De Broglie to decide what men really form the *élite* of France. One thing is certain, however, and that is the continued success of the Republicans, each election bringing another member of that party into the Assembly. My own impression is that these men are elected by the bourgeois element rather than by the ouvriers, and that hence the proposed electorial law will in no way change the general tendencies of the country. Unless M. De Broglie commits an act of illegality and seizes the Government by a *coup d'état*, it is the Republic or the Empire, and the sooner the fact is recognized the better it will be for the country.

M. THIERS ON FORTIFYING PARIS.

M. Thiers has again appeared in the tribune, and for the purpose of defending his cherished theory of the defenses of Paris. In 1840 he had the present fortifications constructed. They are very pretty, very ornamental, very useful in many ways, but in time of war of very little account. In 1840 the cannon of the largest range threw a shell some 3,000 yards. Hence the zone of five arcs fixed at that distance, and an outer line of forts constructed in order to keep the enemy at the safe distance of 6,000 yards from the city walls. But when the Germans planted their batteries at Châtillon and Meudon, they violated all the rules of artillery firing by sending shells a distance of 10,000 and 12,000 yards with the greatest ease. Many of their shells fell into the Seine, after passing over more than one-half of the city. Now, the conclusion I should draw from this would be that it were better to raze the fortifications altogether, and not allow the defense to depend upon any one place or city. It is evident that the line of forts has to be carried to a distance of twelve or fifteen thousand yards. Owing to the nature of the ground, they cannot be supported from the inner line of works in all cases, and to keep up the entire circumference France would require an army of 300,000 men. If the enemy concentrates upon one of their outer forts and takes it, the entire plan falls of itself; and since so large an army must be kept to guard each one of these forts against, say, 75,000 men, the enemy could leave that number here while ravaging the entire country with his other forces. This seems to me as clear as daylight, but the French do not see it in that way. They still believe in brick and mortar, and have no confidence in easily-constructed earth-works. Hence, they are going to expend sixty millions in building a line of forts some 6,000 yards beyond the present line, and say 12,000 yards from the *enceinte*. M. Thiers finds the idea of throwing shells a distance of three or four miles as phantasmagorical as the million of men attributed to Germany at the beginning of the late war. He says it can only be done by establishing siege batteries, and before this could be done they could be charged and driven away. This is possible, to be sure, but, after the experience of the war, such an opinion is a little risky. He is quite willing to accord four of the new forts demanded, but beyond that he thinks it best to have things just as he arranged them Anno Domini 1840. I do not think him so very wrong in this, for the results would probably be about the same whether the new forts were built or not; but some twenty millions would be saved without great danger to the defense. Since the days of Vauban, who is responsible for all these costly works, experience has shown that the capture of a place besieged is merely a question of time. My own idea is that it would be a great deal better to have an army perfectly free and *mobile*, and a traveling capital if necessary, the General in Chief depending upon earth-works whenever he desires to make a stand. This was Cæsar's plan in all his campaigns in Gaul, and, so far as I can see, we have not improved much upon his principles. Our only improvements have been in arms and engines of war. Cæsar's tactics and system of fortification and defense are superior to anything conceived by Vauban. But, despite experience and the speech of M. Thiers, the Assembly voted the construction of these forts, and I am certain that in time of peace they will be found as useful and ornamental as the old forts around the military zone of 1840.

A CANARD.

Speaking of M. Thiers reminds me of the excitement caused on Saturday by the news of his death. I was passing by the Bourse about 3 o'clock in the afternoon, and seeing that some stirring news had arrived, stopped to inquire about it. A report had been put in circulation that M. Thiers, fatigued by his two hours' speech of the day before, had suddenly been seized with cramps in the stomach, and had died during the morning. As they speculate upon everything at the Bourse, funds went down a little, but recovered again shortly. Meantime the reporters were hastening to the Hotel Bagration, and on arriving there they found the old man very "peart" indeed, and merely suffering with an attack of acute rheumatism. Yesterday he rode out, showed himself in the Bois, and to-day, looking very happy over the elections of yesterday, he went to take his seat in the Chamber at Versailles.

MACMAHON'S POPULARITY.

It is evident, I think, that Marshal MacMahon is losing a portion of his popularlity, for I have seen him several times of late, and on no occasion did his presence create any special enthusiasm. Yet Thiers cannot visit his house in the Place Saint George without attracting a crowd, and without being loudly acclaimed. A few months ago MacMahon could go nowhere without being cheered. The reason for this change is not so evident, for if ever a man acted "on the square," to use a vulgar simile, I believe the Marshal has done so. But he is unfortunate in his friends. He believes in the Duc De Broglie, and the Orleans Princes appropriate him on every possible occasion. Whatever he does they approve. When MacMahon says that he means to remain President for seven years the numerous Princes of this family applaud, and say privately that this was for "the people" simply, and that they understand the Marshal very well. "Don't lose heart," they add; "the Marshal is all right, and I may go so far as to tell you that your place in the Senate is already marked." As a rough estimate, I should say that 715 of the 750 Deputies have been tempted by this vision of Senatorial dignities. There may be nothing certain in this sort of language; but, after all, like the compliments of polite society, although one knows them to be meaningless, they still give a certain amount of pleasure. The belief is rapidly gaining ground that the Marshal is allowing himself to become the dupe of M. De Broglie, and, although there may be no manner of truth in it, the suspicion still has its effect upon the masses.

PALM SUNDAY.

Yesterday was "Palm Sunday," and all day long one saw crowds of persons promenading the streets with branches of box-wood in their hands. These *branches de buis bénis* are carried in honor of Christ's triumphant entry into Jerusalem more than eighteen centuries ago, and it is pleasant to see the people remaining faithful to these ancient traditions. The Parisians are very fond of Palm Sunday, or *le Dimanche des Rameaux*, as it is called in French. The trade in box-wood branches every year is very considerable. The number of persons dealing in them is estimated at over two thousand. To be more precise, there are thirty for each of the 67 churches in the city, or 2,010 in all. But on Friday and Saturday mountains of box branches arrive from the country, and are stored in *les halles*. During the night of Saturday and Sunday these two thousand persons purchase their stock, each taking bundles of sprigs sold for one franc each, which they retail for six or eight francs. On the street the sprigs sell for one, two, and four sous, according to the size and appearance. At 6 o'clock in the morning the thirty dealers have to be at the door of their particular church with the branches, and the priest leaves the altar to sprinkle the mass with holy water, and to bless the sprigs of *buis*. After this ceremony the dealers scatter upon the streets, occupying every avenue leading to the churches, and selling the branches to persons going to mass. The commerce of this single morning in Paris represents the sum of twenty or twenty-five thousands francs, and many a poor person gains enough in a morning to keep the wolf from the door for many days. As it is absolutely necessary to have a branch of *buis bénî* exposed in one's apartment during the entire week after Palm Sunday, thousands of persons buy who do not cross the threshold of a church.

AN OLD CUSTOM.

The custom of selling the *Rameaux* is very ancient, of course, since it represents a passage in the life of Christ, and we have many records of it at an early date. It has so taken possession of the Parisian mind that nothing can interfere with it. During the Reign of Terror Robespierre and Danton forbade the use of any symbols of Christianity; but, owing to the value of the trade in the sprigs of box on Palm Sunday, they feared the discontent of the people if they forbade the custom entirely. Consequently, they allowed the sale of the *Rameaux*, in honor of the "Supreme Being," although the doors of the churches were closed. This called forth La Harpe's famous saying that the "Supreme Being of these men resembled God as Robespierre resembled a man." When the First Consul re-established public worship and opened the doors of the churches, the popular custom continued in the name of Christ. Since that time it has never been interrupted. The free-thinkers laugh at most of the rites of the Church, but all of them make an exception in favor of the Palm Sunday ceremonies, since the sale of the consecrated branches puts 25,000 francs into the pockets of the poorest people to be found in the whole community. The weather yesterday was very fine indeed, and throughout the day the boulevards were crowded.

A COMMON CASUALTY.

A very sad accident occurred here on Saturday; and although it is a very common one in all parts of the world, I note it as another warning to young ladies who dress in light, gauzy costumes for parties and balls. The daughter of the Baron De Bury, a very beautiful young lady of nineteen, was dressed for a ball, to which she was going with her mother. She came into the saloon, radiant with happiness, just as the soldier-attendent of the Marquis De Grouchy was lighting the chandelier. Somehow or other a spark fell from one of the candles, lighted upon the dress of Mlle. De Bury, and soon enveloped her in flames. The soldier promptly threw himself upon her, rolled her in a rug, burned himself, and rudely treated her, but saved her life. At first it was thought that one of the most delicious faces of Paris was ruined forever; but we are now informed that Mlle. De Bury has not been disfigured, and that her severe wounds will not be apparent. Such warnings are never heeded; but if ladies could feel the shock this gave to many in Parisian society, when the news came that this lovely young creature had been disfigured for life, they would always look out for fire when in ball costume. Mlle. De Bury has had a most fortunate escape, and hundreds of cards and letters of congratulation are daily left at the door of the Hotel De Bury, Rue Oudinot.

THE IRON TRADE.

CONDITION OF AFFAIRS IN PENNSYLVANIA.

From Our Own Correspondent.

PHILADELPHIA, Saturday, April 11, 1874.

There is no branch of American industry which was so severely hurt by the panic of last Autumn as the iron trade. No branch of industry has been so slow in its recovery from the state of prostration into which all were more or less temporarily thrown. Indeed, the slight improvement which has taken place only goes to show that a complete recovery will only be reached by very slow degrees. So far the amendment is nothing to boast of. The facts bearing on the case have been so fully set forth in the columns of THE NEW-YORK TIMES that it is unnecessary to repeat them. They were and are quite sufficient to bring about the obvious consequence—the pointed association in men's minds of the financial measures now being so warmly discussed, and, in many quarters, so urgently advocated in Congress, with the interests of the iron trade more than with other branches of industry. The iron masters, however, at least those with whom I have discussed the question, disclaim altogether a paramount interest in the matter. They acknowledge that they are most desirous of seeing some measure passed which will give greater elasticity to the national currency, but they claim that with the exception of a certain section of the country, all industries are alike interested with them in bringing about such a result. The break-down of some heavy railroad enterprises, by affecting some of the largest consumers of pig-iron, has thrown a depression over other branches of the iron business, which is not warranted, the natural effects of which it is unnecessary to dilate upon. It might have happened that some other important interest had been particularly struck by the panic instead of iron; it would then have been credited with that special interest in the currency question which is now mainly credited to iron. I have seen many of the leading manufacturers here, and it must be remembered that Philadelphia is a consumer, not a maker, of iron—large as her iron business is. I judge that, taking the iron masters all round in this city, they are averaging little over one-half of their ordinary production; and yet three or four of the leading firms owe even a portion of that production to the happy receipt of foreign orders. For instance, the Baldwin Locomotive Works are building twelve splendid engines and tenders for a Southern Russian railroad. As soon as completed they will be shipped to Odessa. The works are now employing about one-half of their usual force of mechanics. Mr. Parry, one of the leading partners in the concern, tells me that this number is many more than they were employing during the worst months of the depression. They manage to get along; no such orders in advance as they used to have, but, somehow or other, some new contract is offered just in time before the one in hand is completed. A year ago the Baldwin Locomotive Works were turning out about forty-two locomotives a month. I one day counted thirty-three in the erection shop in various stages of completion. But it is a highly significant fact, mind you, that Russia should come to Philadelphia for her locomotives. Again, the firm of A. Whitney & Sons, who, by the way, are working nearer to their average production than some of their neighbors, are shipping large numbers of their chilled-iron car-wheels to Europe and South America, especially wheels for horse-car railroads in England. The Lobdells are doing the same. Here, again, is ground for congratulation, as showing the competitive position which American iron is taking in the iron markets of the world. Messrs. H. G. Morris & Co. are also, as usual, making a large number of sugar-machines for the West Indies and other places, in addition to their other heavy-casting business. Messrs. Cramp & Sons would have their ship-building yards occupied to their full capacity but for the unfortunate fire which lately took place at their new yard. They are, however, having made a full set of new machinery for their old yard, which will soon put them in full force again. The Reading Railroad Company are building and are going to build as many as eighty steam colliers for the sea-carrying of their vast coal business, and the Cramps have secured a goodly slice of the contract. They have also some of the Government monitors in their hands. The firm of Wm. Sellers & Co., whose machine tools, from the most delicate to their giant planers and borers, excited such universal admiration at the Vienna Exhibition last year, are doing a fair share of business, though not up to their ordinary production. They are making all the new machine tools for the Cramps. Morris, Tasker & Co. and all the other leading manufacturers are much in the same condition. Thus, though the home demand is anything but what it might be, there is a general business of fair amount going on, including the exceedingly encouraging orders from Europe and other foreign countries.

As to financial questions, though nearly all seem to hope for one great principle being carried out—a more elastic currency—there is some diversity of opinion as to the details of any arrangement. I think I may safely say that, while opposed to any large issue of irredeemable currency they agree as to the desirability of free banking and a more elastic currency. There is a very wide-spread feeling against taking any immediate steps to bringing about a forced, as it were, return to specie payments. All seem to think that the growth of American production and manufacture will carry that into effect in the natural order of commercial consequences within the next five or six years; but they think that any premature efforts in that direction will only lead to fresh disaster and a still further postponement of a par value between gold and currency. One eminent manufacturer, whose name I am, unfortunately, not authorized to publish, said to me to-day: "England and Germany hold an immense amount of our bonds; the greater part of them bought at low figures. A return to specie payments would result in a heavy rise in those bonds, for beyond the result of the equalization in values of our currency and their gold, the European bondholders are shrewd enough to know that did they not unload their bonds here, and should we hold our own, a clamor would soon arise to reduce taxation by reducing the interest on Government bonds. They are shrewd enough not to wait for such an evident contingency. They would see an unlooked-for handsome profit, and they would return our bonds on our hands by ship-loads, draining us of every dollar of gold we can scrape together. On the other hand, if we go on as we are, I believe that our increasing shipments of grain, manufactures, perhaps coal, &c., will so turn the balance of trade in our favor that they will be only too pleased to retain our bonds, even at a reduced rate of interest; we, at the same time, having imperceptibly achieved, what we all earnestly desire, an equalization of values between our currency and gold such as now prevails between English bank notes and gold." Mr. Geo. Whitney, while deprecating the currency measures now before Congress, is strongly in favor of a free banking system. He would allow any bank to start on depositing United States bonds with the Treasury Department cent for cent for the amount of currency for which they ask; and he would allow established banks to increase their capital in the same way. He thinks that money would then become, what it is not now, an article of commerce, the payment for it being made in Government bonds instead of in gold. This is, of course, assuming that gold is not the only kind of money—a theory accepted on all foreign exchanges. He thinks that the floating currency, answering in purpose the English bank note, is not sufficient for the needs of the manufacturing and productive interests of the country. But he would make all issues of currency to be based on a substantial security, just as are the English bank notes; Government bonds in this country taking the place of gold in England, as the security to be offered and accepted. There is little risk of this country being involved in a foreign war of any magnitude; the question of another civil war is not worth discussing. Taking, then, into consideration the marvelous natural resources of this country and the untiring energy and high business abilities of its citizens, its bonds may be said to have greater substantiality than the Government bonds of any other country. In the course of a long conversation with Mr. Parry, he advanced the rather startling theory that a very large portion of our national currency is not in circulation at all, while a still larger portion is not in such circulation as to be available for banking purposes. In the first place, he says that an immense amount of hoarding is kept up among the working classes, increasing as the fall in the scale of education. He estimates that 3,000,000 of the colored population have on an average, $10 apiece hid away in a cupboard, under a mattress, up the chimney, or in some other hiding-place. There goes $30,000,000 of currency at once. Again, he asks: "How has currency been lost, destroyed, or utterly worn out in the last ten years?" Another heavy item. Again, he says, and he is right, that the men in this country carry habitually in their pockets sums far and far beyond what gentlemen in Europe carry. Of course all such sums are virtually out of circulation. Again, he asserts that our currency is only just sufficient to pay the labor of the country for three weeks. He maintains that every dollar thus paid out passes through a hundred hands before it finds its way back to the bank again. In the meantime, the employer of labor has to hunt about for currency to meet his next-coming labor pay-roll. Mr. Parry says that it takes $3,000,000 to pay the labor of Philadelphia alone for one week. He also takes into consideration the frequently-occurring "lock-up" of currency to further Wall street speculations in gold, the temporary "lock-ups" of currency on its journeyings South-west and West to bring the crops to the Atlantic sea-board, and the withdrawal of currency from active circulation in many other ways. Thus he arrives at the fact that there is little currency available for the daily wants of the manufacturer who is not within a certain charmed circle where currency loves to accumulate; a circle where banks can turn round and round, day by day, and hour by hour, in the giddy mazes of speculation. He asks, therefore, for a free banking system, under which local banks can, by the means of a subscribed capital, obtain a currency which shall be controlled by local Directors for local uses and purposes—in fact, that banks should be allowed to issue notes of national currency by depositing in the Treasury Department an equivalent of Government bonds. I have written at length upon this currency question in its connection with iron interests, so far as the views of those engaged in iron manufactures are concerned, not because it concerns iron-masters of the country only, but because a certain drift of public thought has, under the peculiar circumstances affecting in a very marked and prominent way this very leading branch of American industry, separated the iron trade from the other trades, and has connected it almost solely with the pending financial measures in Congress.

FOREIGN NOTES.

The total extent of land under cultivation for cotton in the Bombay Presidency is returned at 4,040,662 acres, showing an increase of more than ten per cent. over the previous year.

According to a table just published in Alexandria, there are at present 76,696 foreigners residing in Egypt. Of these 34,600 are Greeks, 17,000 French, 13,906 Italians, 6,300 Austrians, 6,000 English, 1,100 Germans, and 500 Persians. The Russian, Dutch, Spanish, Belgian, Swedish, Portuguese, and American residents number in all only 890.

Telegrams which have reached us from Spain do not appear to have conveyed a very accurate idea of the fighting in the North. The battle of Somorrostro was more favorable to Don Carlos than it had been represented. The fight lasted two days, during which Serrano was twice repulsed. The Carlist lines were reported as impregnable, and their loss small.

Mr. Jenkins, the father of "Ginx's Baby," continues to honor the Dominion of Canada by insulting members of the British Government. At a recent private interview with the Duke of Richmond, President of the Council, his conduct is described as having been grossly insolent. It is to be hoped that Canada does not feel proud of her agent.

The Irish public, says a Dublin correspondent, have acquiesced very readily in the decision of the Government against releasing the military Fenians. The journals which disapprove of the course the Government have taken do so in rather a faint and insincere manner. Among the higher professional and mercantile community the vigor which the refusal to comply with a memorial of so many members of Parliament displays seems to be considered a good omen in regard to Irish affairs.

There are at present still about a hundred of the young Japanese sent to Europe at their Government's expense for their education, staying at Berlin. They have, however, received summary orders to return to their own country in the course of next month, unless they prefer continuing their studies at their own expense. The reasons adduced for this disappointing summons are the political disturbances in Japan, the difficulties many Japanese experience in resisting the unaccustomed climate, and their failure, for the most part, to realize the expectations of their rulers.

Two Russian guns and carriages, trophies of the Crimean war, have been received at the Royal Arsenal, Woolwich, having been returned from Colchester, where they have stood as public monuments for about seventeen years. It has been notified that several other trophies of a similar character have been given up by the local authorities of other towns, and that they are on their way to Woolwich, where they will be broken up. There are very few Russian guns to be seen in the Royal Arsenal, Woolwich, and these are, generally speaking, only such as are remarkable for some peculiarity, one, for instance, having a cannon-ball from a British gun lodged in the muzzle and jammed fast. The sentiment which induces country corporations to return their trophies out of compliment to the Duchess of Edinburgh will, we hope endure, but it is doubtful.

ITALY.

ROYAL ANNIVERSARY—THE CHURCH IN AUSTRIA.

From Our Own Correspondent.

ROME, Monday, March 23, 1874.

This day is the day of jubilee of the crown of Italy, and in various ways the people of the country are taking notice of it. The members of the Municipal Government of Rome went this morning, in the ponderous old carriages of the Roman Senate, to the Quirinal Palace to present an address of felicitations to the King. The people looked on with sympathizing curiosity, and none kept aloof from the ceremony except the adherents of the party of the hierarchy who frown condemnation upon every new step taken, without so much as asking whether or not the new political order is working out the salvation of the State. These twenty-five years of the sovereignty of Victor Emmanuel, now rounded out, mark the first period of the second epoch of the Kings in the rule of Rome. Under our eye we have preserved to us in museums many fragments of the Rome of two centuries and a half of kingly rule. Then, in their order, follow the symbols of the five centuries of the Republic, succeeded by those of the Empire of nineteen hundred years; divided between paganism and the Pope, Italy is now beginning her new national existence, with homogeneous political institutions, and these modeled upon a system which is the product of the most advanced ideas of the modern science of governing. Rome ends as she began, with the rule of Kings; but while the "car of State" was once guided by such absolute rulers as Romulus, the Tarquins, and the rest, and the people had no hand, now the people hold the reins, and the King is but the liveried footman on the box.

THE CHURCH IN AUSTRIA.

You have not failed to take notice of the progress of the discussion of the ecclesiastical question in the Austrian-Hungarian State. The recent action in the Reichsrath has brought the fever of excitement to a crisis, and the vehemence of passionate denunciation among the friends of Papal pretensions has reached a point beyond which it has hardly gone in Switzerland or Germany. We know that those who make up the circle of councilors in the Vatican are far from being dunces, but it is a little surprising that the Pope, in his letter to Francis Joseph, should have gone so far as to urge him to see to if that the laws voted do not go into execution in his State. The Pontiff knows, as well as anybody, that the Emperor is a constitutional Sovereign, and that the obnoxious laws have received the signature of the royal hand. We know that the party which favors a perpetual union of the altar and the throne is no friend of liberal government, and has little respect for constitutions. It is the boast of the Papacy that it is a paternal despotism, and has no faith in any other system than that of absolute rule. But that it should counsel a Catholic Sovereign to violate his oath and trample upon the fundamental law, is a more audacious exhibition of a disregard for legal rights than could have been expected. Following the example of the Pope, counseling the Emperor to hinder the execution of laws, we have an address, or petition, of the Archbishops and Bishops of Lombardy to Victor Emmanuel, asking him to oppose, or put a stop to, the action of Parliament concerning the question of civil marriage. "Hinder, Oh, Sire! the transplanting into this garden of Europe of these trees from the other side of the Alps, which bear the most bitter fruits there also, where for more than a century the most reckless violence has been the established rule. Remove from civilized Italy the peril of that inhuman persecution which in other countries brands with eternal infamy the persecuting Governments. * * * In your wisdom, Oh, Sire, you will find the means to revoke," &c.—with more to the same effect, adding the assurance that in any case they will not yield obedience to a law which gives to the civil marriage rite paramount legal force.

CLERICAL DESPOTISM.

Some time back several small parishes in the region of Modena took upon themselves to elect their Pastors without consulting the Bishop, having jurisdiction in that diocese. Naturally enough, such conduct waked up the Bishop, and we have printed the formal act of Mgr. Rota, reading all who have taken part in the proceedings out of meeting, and cutting them off from Christian privileges and hopes. As usual, the language used is nearly as intemperate as that adopted by democratic politicians of the opposition: "The satanic spirit of pride and rebellion has invaded the minds of men who boast that they are followers of Christ, and has so blinded the minds and hearts of others who are their unfortunate ministers, as for those to offer themselves without any power, and in defiance of all laws human and divine, in the tremendous character of shepherds of souls." * * * Following in the same strain the Bishop proceeds to cut them off from the benefit of the sacraments and casts them into the outer darkness of schismatics, heretics, &c. But it has not hindered the good people to go straight forward with their movement of evangelical reform; and a week ago to-day, Father Giovanni Lonardi, the priest elect for the parish of San Giovanni del Dosso, was welcomed with popular demonstrations to his place. The inhabitants of the whole region were in motion, and the descriptions we have of the scene presented, animated by religious and patriotic devotion, with proofs of affection for the new Pastor, all directed by the rule of good order, make us hopeful of good results to come in the future from this movement. The occasion, as is common now, was used for speech-making, offering toasts, and defining the position. One of the speakers said: "This festive reception fills us with joy, because it is a proof given to the world of the adhesion of this people to the principle of popular elections. Extreme parties have joined hands in opposition—some with excommunications and ecclesiastical censures, and others with derision and disrespect; but the truth stands, and gains new strength by struggle and opposition. According to the Clerical Party, all illegitimate and schismatical, and to be anathematized. According to certain Radicals, this step is useless, if not hurtful. The first are logical because they see the edifice of the hierarchy begin to stagger. The others affect to be Atheists, without reflecting that there is no people without a religion, and no religion without a priesthood. Thus they are so blind as not even to perceive that in the triumph of their idea for the liberty of conscience a new conquest is made. As an advancing Christian society we wish to liberate ourselves from the human fraud which calls itself the Curia of the Vatican, because we find in it an element which is incompatible with the progress of civilization, and because we believe that politically it is contrary to our free institutions, our nationality, and our independence. We regard it as a moral corruption and propagator of untruth, prejudices, and exaggerations, leading to indifference and skepticism. We find religion reduced to m

SOUTH AMERICAN TRAVEL.

FROM THE ATLANTIC TO THE PACIFIC VIA THE AMAZONS.

VII.

It is a difficult matter to predict what the future of Moyabamba will be. Shut in, as it is, on all sides by mountains, and so completely isolated from the civilized world, it seems almost impossible that it can ever attain a more dignified position than that which it now occupies of a mere Indian town. Still, however, the visitor can scarcely restrain the imagination from carrying him forward to the time when, owing to the agency of steam and science, a trip up the Amazons and over the Andes will be regarded as one of comfort and pleasure. Then, but not till then, may Moyabamba begin to think of its future. The climate is delightful. The mean annual temperature, according to Prof. Orton's observations, is 77° Fahrenheit, the variation being scarcely 9° during the year. On one side of the plain is located an iron spring with a temperature of 106° Fahrenheit, while on the opposite side the invalid may derive some sanitary benefits from a strong sulphur spring.

At present the city can boast of but little in the way of commerce. Among its ten thousand inhabitants are some eight or ten foreigners engaged principally in the hat trade and in retailing hardware and dry goods. Many years ago the commerce in straw hats between Moyabamba and Brazil was of considerable importance, and comparatively large fortunes were made by foreigners engaged in it some twenty years ago. The trade is, however, gradually dying out. The people are very unwilling to work, and money being to them an object of little or no importance, it is extremely difficult to obtain any labor. The same may be said of provisions, and if it had not been for the inevitable Chinaman, who has just preceded us in his arrival, we should really have suffered during our sojourn at the valley. And yet, standing at the edge of the city and looking on the fertile and luxuriant plains beneath, the idea of a person suffering for want of food appears utterly ridiculous and incomprehensible. Almost any product from oats to the sugar-cane could be raised on the hillsides which surround the place. The banks of the Mayo are lined for miles, as far as the eye can reach, with the flourishing farms of the inhabitants of the city, but on inquiry we were told that every man raises only that which he and his family can consume, and money will not tempt them to sell their products. It was only through the influence of Mr. Sisley, a foreigner well known throughout the province, and to whom we are indebted for many favors, that Prof. Orton was enabled to obtain a sample of the coffee and cacao. The table land on which the city is built, we were told, formerly extended to one of the neighboring hills, but owing to the want of drainage gradually became completely isolated. Even now the city, owing to the same cause, is fast becoming divided into many different sections by the immense barankas and ravines formed by the heavy rains that fall at certain seasons of the year. The streets in many places are five and six feet lower than the doorways of the houses, and whole sections of the town have at different times been carried away. The inhabitants are an amalgamation of Indians and Spanish Peruvians, having but little business or occupation. The common dialect is Quichua and Spanish.

On the tenth day after our arrival we moved on to Rioja, a small town one day's journey from Moyabamba, and, after a sojourn of a few days, obtained the necessary mules and started to cross the second Cordillera to Chachapoyas. The price of a mule from Moyabamba to Chachapoyas varies from eight to ten dollars, each mule carrying 130 pounds. We found portions of this road quite good, and the whole of it excellent compared to the one from Bales Puerto. We spent the night of the 17th in a hut situated on a hillside known as Bacazan. The next morning we crossed the pass of Spischquantuna, the highest point in Northern Peru, the Quichua word signifying the place where the birds die. Near the summit we found some fine specimens of fossil amonites in shale, in some respects bearing considerable resemblance to those we found in the bed of the River Cachigacu, a branch of the Hualaga. We reached Chachapoyas on the 20th of October, having occupied seven days in the journey, the details of which, however interesting and remarkable they might be, must be omitted for want of space. We cannot, however, forbear from making a slight mention of the scenery which between these two Cordilleras is indescribably grand and beautiful. Church's great picture of the heart of the Andes, taken from different points in Ecuador, fails to give an idea of the true heart of the Andes. For it is only in Northern Peru, the only spot on the two continents where four Cordilleras are to be found, that the true heart of the Andes can be seen. Along various portions of this road we found huts erected by the Government for the accommodation of Indians and traders. At Chachapoyas we found everything very different from what we had as to that time seen in the country, the people being much more civilized and enterprising. Many of them are engaged in agriculture, the surrounding country yielding to the labor a rich return in tobacco, cotton, fruits, and some cereals. Cattle are also raised in large numbers, many people being occupied in the manufacture of leather goods. Although situated at some distance from the coast, Chachapoyas is quite easy of access, but still little concerning it is known to the outside world, and travelers are objects of great curiosity to the inhabitants. We were surprised on being informed by some of the residents that the average number of travelers that visited the town does not exceed one a year. A little to the south of the city, situated on a high hill, are the remains of fortifications. Want of time prevented our visiting them. During our stay in the city we were hospitably entertained by the Bishop, a most liberal-minded and intelligent man, and it was entirely due to his influence that we finally obtained mules and Indians with which to continue our journey. This matter of obtaining Indians and mules is one of considerable difficulty, and traders are often detained a month at a place waiting for some means to enable them to continue on to their destination. We found that both at Moyabamba and Chachapoyas the Bishop and some resident foreigners possessed more power and influence than any of the Government officials, to whom persons must apply when in want of mules and Indians. From them the answer is generally the inevitable "mañana," (to-morrow,) a term which to all South Americans means any time but the present. From Chachapoyas to the coast we found the road constantly improving, and we found our journey daily becoming pleasanter and easier. At intervals we came across Indian towns, usually located in some valley well sheltered from the miras, the inhabitants being sensible to a slight variation of the temperature, and if report be true, many perish in attempting to cross the higher passes. They are in appearance strong and healthy, but a severe cold with them generally ends in death. Their food and habits are not such as are calculated to give them a constitution to enable them to pass safely through any severe disease. We found the inhabitants of Western Peru far superior to any we had seen since our arrival in South America, being, as a rule, far more enterprising and possessing only in a small degree the laziness so characteristic of the people on the eastern slope and on the river. Four days' journey from Chachapoyas brought us to the summit of the third Cordillera. We commenced the descent on the following day, arriving in the afternoon at Balsas, a hot-bed of tertiana fever, situated on the Maranon. We crossed the river on a raft made from the balsa tree, the wood being almost as light and buoyant as cork. The river here is about one hundred and fifty yards wide, in depth ranging from six to ten feet, the waters rushing between the mountains with terrific force.

It had been Prof. Orton's intention to ascend the Valley of the Maranon to the Lake Lauricaucha, from whence the Amazon finds its source. But at Chachapoyas we had heard that it was impossible to leave Peru without going to Lima, nearly four hundred miles to the south. For although steamers run long both the coasts of Peru and Ecuador, they act up to the spirit of South American enterprise and fail to connect with each other. The want of time, therefore, compelled the abandonment of a scheme which, if carried out, would, without doubt, have been of great benefit to science and to geography. Hurrying on our way, we arrived, on the 1st of November, on the summit of a high hill, and, looking down, saw below us the ancient Inca City of Cajamarca, situated on one side of a plain surpassed in fertility and beauty only by the plain of Quito. The city, celebrated as the scene of the arrest and murder of the Inca King Atahualpa, lies at an elevation of 10,000 feet, but, like Quito, sheltered by the surrounding mountains, its climate is mild and agreeable. In every direction upon the plain about the city are seen cultivated fields and gardens of flowers, intersected by avenues lined with the willow and aloe. On the side of the plain opposite to the city are the Inca baths, located near the hot springs, from which the columns of smoke rising over the plain are easily distinguishable at a great distance. Prof. Orton found the temperature of the water, at the spot from which it oozes from the earth, to be 162° Fahrenheit. A little below that spot he found the temperature 134° Fahrenheit. In this water were an innumerable number of small animals closely resembling shrimps. On taking them from the hot water they died immediately. The City of Cajamarca is regularly laid out, the streets being broad and well paved. The churches are exceedingly fine, being built of cut-stone of large dimensions and embellished with spires and cupolas unusually imposing. In the centre of the city is the ancient palace of Atahualpa, said to be connected with the neighboring hills by subterranean passages. The building is far superior to any of the modern ones of Cajamarca.

The manufacture of woolen and cotton goods, and of silver and gold and leather articles, forms the principal occupation of the inhabitants. The population is set down by different authorities from twenty to thirty thousand. A railroad from the coast to the city is at present in course of construction by that prince of railroad kings, Henry Meiggs.

A rapid ride of ten hours over the pampas brought us to the road, where we received a warm welcome from the engineer and some of the managers who were on the ground. It did seem like getting out of the wilderness once more to look on American faces and to hear our own language. In a few moments we were on an engine and hurrying down through the valley to the Pacific. The road is a remarkably fine piece of engineering, being one continuous grade, varying from one to four per cent. The bed is of trachytic porphyry—the composition of the Coast Range Mountains—the work being the finest of the kind we have ever seen. The valleys through which we passed bore unmistakable evidence of having once been the seat of a high order of civilization. At present it is but an arid desert. The sides of the mountains, from the base to the highest altitudes, are terraced, and the ancient gardens are everywhere distinguishable. At times we passed through the ruins of cities that must have contained a population greatly exceeding anything we now hear of. For miles we observed these ruins on either side, stretching away to the very foot of the mountains, where the terracing immediately commenced and was carried to the very summits. The land must at some remote period, anterior to the time of the Incas, have been occupied by a race both industrious and civilized. Who they were, whence they came, and whither they have gone is a mystery into which, up to the present time, but few have attempted to penetrate. There is an abundance of material in the country upon which the ordinary traveler could found the wildest theories, but from which the archæologist could extract much of value and interest both to science and mankind in general. Prof. Orton will be the first who has made any personal study of this subject in Northern Peru, and to his forthcoming work we may look with a great deal of interest. The road is only a little over sixty miles in length, and we soon passed from the mountain gorges across a sandy desert, and Pacasmayo, situated on the shores of the Pacific, lay before us. Here we were most hospitably received by Messrs. Faulkner and Maynadier, managers of the road, and that night, for the first time since leaving home, we slept in a real bed. We had been four months, all but a few days, in crossing from ocean to ocean. That evening, as we sat about the hospitable board and recounted our adventures to sympathizing hearers, we found it hard to realize that our work was at last accomplished, and that in two short weeks we should bid adieu to the land of perpetual verdure, and wend our way once more to the wintry north. Although fraught with many trials and sufferings, we shall never look back to the trip with regret, and the memory of those romantic and lazy hours which we spent in the Brazilian forests, and in paddling about the Igarapes of the mighty river, will ever be to us an endless source of pleasure and enjoyment. No poet has sung of their wondrous beauty and grandeur, nor has any artist attempted to place them on canvas, but throughout our lives we are confident that the memory of those hours and days will ever remain as green and fresh as though it were but yesterday that, reaching the Pacific, we felt that at last our work was accomplished—that our wanderings had ceased.

FASHIONS FOR APRIL.

Le Follet says: "Whatever changes of weather this month may have in store for us, we shall, at all events, have the satisfaction of being prepared for them, as the toilets arranged for the commencement of this season are not only of light color and thin materials, but many of the dark shades in fashion during the Winter will continue in vogue through the Summer, and a great variety of fabrics suitable for chilly days are being used by the best modistes. This innovation is a very sensible one, for nothing looks so cheer less and uncomfortable as a very light and thin toilet, worn on a dreary, cold day, simply because it was prepared for the Spring.

The costumes made for such occasions, of beige, vigogne, sicilienne, chachemire, or the English 'homespun,' are very simply ornamented; in many cases, the trimming consists merely of two or three rows of stitching, and some buttons.

The skirts of all dresses, whether short of trained, have the fulness thrown entirely to the back, strings being sewn to the side seams for this purpose.

The front and side breadths are gored; the slope of each toward the back, and hollowed out at the top, so as to fit the waist and set closely on the hips. This is difficult to fit, and a well-cut pattern is a great desideratum, as all skirts are cut in the same manner, whatever may be the trimmings arranged afterward.

However devoid of trimmings the backs of skirts may be, it is very seldom that the tabliers are left unornamented; in fact, many handsome silk dresses have a profuse garniture on the front, and none at all at the back. The elegant fashion of trimming skirts up each seam from the hem is very becoming and on a good material, effective.

Many passementerie ornaments are made on purpose for this arrangement, being much wider at the bottom, and decreasing in width as they ascend. Silks are also embroidered with satin-stitch in the same manner.

Some skirts are perfectly devoid of any trimmings, and these are by no means the least elegant or distinguées, but require great perfection of cut and drapery. The 'Princesse' dresses, the whole of the front to the side seams being cut bodice and skirt together, are exceptionally grande dame, requiring a first-class modiste and a beautiful figure. With these requisites, they are very becoming and elegant.

There is some talk of bringing in the fourreau again; some of our élégantes are so tired of the senseless crowding with exaggerated trimmings. The cuirassa and justau-corps bodices and tunics, mentioned last month, certainly seem a step in this direction.

The Manteau de cour, over different under skirt, is still grand gendre.

Bodices also are made in this mi-parti style, as it is called; the front only, or the front and back, being of one color or material, and the sides, both back and front, being of another.

Bodices with sleeves and revers of different material to the rest are very well worn.

The charming colleta made of foulard, or Danish silk alpaca, are too numerous to mention. Both materials are made in such lovely shades, and are such economical wear, that they are largely employed for a variety of different styles.

Stripes will be much worn, especially of different materials, such as satin or velvet on silk, or alternate stripes of thick and thin materials; some of these are very inexpensive, though effective."

THE ALLEGED GREAT LOSS OF PILGRIMS IN THE MEDITERRANEAN.

The particulars which have just come to hand of the drowning of pilgrims from the steamer Laconia shows, says the Liverpool *Post* of March 26, that the disaster is by no means so serious as was at first reported. It appears that the Laconia left Alexandria for Tunis, Algiers, and other ports, with 943 pilgrims on board, including what are known as the "chiefs." These belonged to several different sects or tribes, among whom an intense antipathy exists, and consequently they would not associate together. The result of this was that although the 'tween decks measured 1,000 tons of available space, and was divided into five compartments for the accommodation of the passengers, a great number refused to go down, and the chiefs lying seasick in the saloon, could not exercise their authority. Matters were in this condition when, two days after leaving Alexandria, a huge wave broke over the afterpart of the ship, and fears being entertained that some persons had been washed overboard, the vessel was immediately brought head to wind, and kept so for twenty-four hours, but no one could be seen in the water. The loss, however, has been greatly exaggerated, the first report emanating from the pilgrims themselves, whose powers in this direction are well known. The ship's accounts show that, of the 943 pilgrims taken on board, 922 were landed, leaving only twenty-one unaccounted for. This number included the losses from all causes—as in cases of death the bodies are consigned to the sea by the pilgrims themselves, without the knowledge of the Captain—and when it is considered that, after a pilgrimage to Mecca and back, a great number would be much exhausted, and likely to succumb on the homeward voyage, most if not all of the deaths may be attributed to natural causes.

THE RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

PROPOSED CONTEST OF THE AMATEUR CLUB AND THE IRISH TEAM.

REPORT OF THE ASSOCIATION—THE TRANSACTIONS OF THE ORGANIZATION DURING 1873—ANTICIPATIONS FOR THE FUTURE.

The prospect of the coming match with the Irish team who won the Elcho shield at Wimbledon last year has put our National Rifle Association, or, to be more precise, its subordinate element, the Amateur Rifle Club, on its mettle, and, accordingly, they are preparing for vigorous practice in anticipation of the contest. That this is a wise precaution cannot be doubted, for the Irish eight (assuming that nothing will interfere to prevent their crack shots coming forward) are good marksmen; their Wimbledon prestige must, if possible, be sustained, and their practice on their ranges at Dollymount, near Dublin, is usually of a very assiduous and thorough kind. The efforts of the Amateur Rifle Club will, therefore, be directed toward getting together the best marksmen, who shall have abundant practice, and who, when the time comes, (not sooner than the 15th September, or later than the 15th October,) shall be in proper form to meet their Irish competitors. The Irish team are the challengers, and the programme which they proposed for the acceptance of the riflemen of America has been agreed to on behalf of the latter by the Amateur Rifle Club, with the exception of one item, fixing the minimum number of competitors. This the challengers desired to fix at four, but the Rifle Club think that six ought to be substituted. The terms of the match, as amended, would thus read as follows:

Team—Each team to consist of not more than eight or less than six men, at the option of the Irish, whose decision will be announced on their arrival at New-York. The American team to be composed exclusively of riflemen born in the United States. The Irish team to consist of men qualified to shoot in the Irish eight at Wimbledon.

Rifles—Any, not exceeding ten pounds weight; minimum pull of trigger three pounds. The Americans to shoot with rifles of *bona fide* American manufacture. The Irish to shoot with rifles manufactured by Messrs. John Rigby & Co., of Dublin.

Sights, Ammunition, Targets, and Marking—To be according to printed regulations in force at Wimbledon, 1873, which are similar to those of the National Rifle Association.

Ranges—Eight hundred yards, 900 yards, and 1,000 yards.

Number of Shots—Fifteen at each range by each competitor.

Previous Practice—The Irish team to be allowed the use of the range for practice for at least two days before the match.

Position—Any; no artificial rest to be used either for the rifle or person of the shooter.

Mr. Leach, on the part of the Irish team, guarantees to deposit, on his arrival at New-York, with the National Rifle Association of America, the sum of £100 sterling, a like sum to be deposited by the American team, and this sum of £200 to be handed over to the Captain for division among the members of the winning team.

Targets, range, and all accessories for carrying out the match to devolve on the Americans. The Americans to choose a Referee to act for their team. Mr. Leach will act in the capacity of Referee for the Irish team, and the two Referees shall mutually select an umpire, to whom, in case of difference of opinion, they shall refer, and whose decision shall be final. The terms of the match to be signed by Geo. W. Wingate, on behalf of the Amateur Rifle Club, and by Arthur Blennerhasset Leach, on behalf of the Irish team. Duplicate copies of this programme to be exchanged, and all necessary arrangements to be completed on or before the 1st day of June, 1874. Should either team fail to make an appearance on the day and hour agreed upon for the match, the team then present may claim the championship and stakes.

In accepting the challenge the Amateur Rifle Club do not claim that they include among their members the best riflemen of America, but they assume to act as the representatives of the riflemen of the country generally, for the purpose of placing the matter in such a shape as to permit all who prove themselves competent to compete, irrespective of their residence or membership. They therefore request that all native-born Americans who are interested in rifle shooting, and who desire to form part of the team which is to represent America in the forthcoming match, will at once commence practicing for the purpose, and will, on or before the 1st of July next, forward to Mr. Fred. P. Fairbanks, the Secretary of the club, a score of fifteen consecutive shots made at each distance named in the programme, in a form furnished for the purpose. Then, sometime during July or August, one match or more will be held at Creedmoor to shoot for places in the team. From the competitors making the best scores upon these occasions the Executive Committee will select a certain number who will shoot against each other until the best shots are definitely ascertained, and these only will be allowed to shoot in the team competing with the Irish visitors. In the match at Wimbledon, at which the latter won the Elcho shield, their average score was 149.37 points out of a possible 180, or 3.32 a shot, but the Amateur Rifle Club are fully satisfied that there are many riflemen in America fully as expert, and they feel quite sanguine as to the result of the match should they be induced to engage in the undertaking. There is, at all events, no doubt entertained that, apart from the National Guard practice, the most interesting feature of the season at Creedmoor will be this international match with the Irish eight.

It is expected that the range will be opened for its second season on the 1st of May, and this prospect has stirred up all the crack shots and ambitious riflemen who look forward to distinguishing themselves by and by. It is hoped also that additional éclat will be given to the occasion by the presence of the Governor of the State, more especially as at the formal opening in June last the pressure of public duties prevented Gov. Dix attending, according to his promise. Many satisfactory results will, it is believed, spring from the practice at Creedmoor this season. The Directors of the National Rifle Association have, at least, determined to direct their best efforts toward accomplishing everything which may be deemed desirable in the matter of rifle shooting, and will labor strenuously to develop the usefulness and efficiency of the association. It is the intention during the coming season to distribute more prizes than were offered last year, and there appears to be a laudable determination to make the Creedmoor Range still more a school of marksmanship for the Militia than heretofore. Gen. Shaler, who commands the First Division of the National Guard of the State, has expressed himself much interested in the matter. He thinks, in the first place, that the Militia should practice with the rifle with which they would have to do service if called upon by the authorities. He wants the men to become thoroughly proficient at all ranges from 100 to 500 yards; also, in volley firing at the target, and to be able to shoot in the line of object and at the word of command, without deliberate aim. The view of Gen. Shaler in respect to having the Militia practice with their own weapons is shared by Gen. John F. Rathbone, Adjutant General of the State, who, in a letter addressed to Messrs. Remington & Sons, expresses a hope "that the National Rifle Association will make this a permanent feature in their arrangements for the coming season." Col. Church, President of the association, and the several Directors appear also to favor the project. To carry out this system more thoroughly, Gen. Shaler hopes that during the Summer the association will be able to put up tents enough to accommodate any regiment that may desire to camp out for a couple of days' shooting, together with head-quarters, &c. Another improvement will be the fencing in of the property of the association, not only for convenience, but to prevent stray boys running in front of the targets while shooting is in progress. The butt, which was much damaged by the heavy rains, is being replaced, and the targets, which have been increased in number from eighteen to twenty, are now all provided with sunken pits for the markers, that system having been ascertained to be much safer than any other.

The report of Col. Wingate furnishes a fair indication of what has been accomplished by the association in the past year. It is the second annual report, and will be shortly submitted to the Board of Directors. It takes the view that the past year must be considered as the most important in the history of the National Rifle Association, for the reason that, although the third since its organization, it was the first during which it has been able to practically carry out the purposes for which it was instituted, and the results attained during the year were therefore to decide whether the association would be a failure or a success. The incorporation of the association having taken place in November, 1871, nothing had been done by January, 1872, to warrant a meeting, and none was held during that year. In 1873 the work done was confined to obtaining funds for the purchase of the ground for the range, and in laying it out and fitting it up after it was secured. It was not until the Spring of 1873 that the range could be opened for practice, so that all that could be done at the last annual meeting was to report progress. The range was informally opened for practice April 25, 1873, and the intention of a formal meeting on the 21st of June, at which Gov. Dix was to have been present, was not carried out. The report stated that the sunken butt system had proved to be far superior to the hill or raised butts, and therefore the association had the latter torn down and replaced by sunken pits. While experience had suggested a number of improvements, the general plan upon which the range was laid out had been found eminently satisfactory. Advantage was taken of a visit of the Secretary to Europe in the Spring, to make an inspection of the celebrated Wimbledon Range, as well as to ascertain the manner in which the matches of the National Rifle Association of Great Britain are carried out. Through the kindness of the Secretary and executive officer of that association much valuable information had been obtained, which had been of great assistance in laying out the range at Creedmoor, as well as in the conduct of the matches during the past year, for which the association desired to render proper acknowledgment. Incomplete as the range still is, with what the association hope to make it, it was the opinion, the report stated, of all who had examined it, that it was in no respect inferior to any range, either in England or Canada, except the celebrated Wimbledon, which excels it, however, only in point of size. The opening match of 21st of June, 1873, at which the National Guard competed, had proved very successful, notwithstanding the fact that everything was novel to the officers of the association, and to the competitors. This match, however, as was anticipated, cost the association a considerable sum over the receipts—$814 53, but it did much to excite a spirit of emulation among the National Guard in regard to excellence of marksmanship, and to stimulate them for the Fall competition. For the purpose of fostering the spirit, and in pursuance of their previous policy, the association had, during the Summer, allowed all regiments or companies of the National Guard to use the range without charge, imposing the single condition that, to insure responsibility and prevent accident, they should come as a body, under the command of their officers. In this matter they had been greatly aided by Gen. John F. Rathbone as well as by Gen. Kilburn Knox, the Commissary General, who supplied the different organizations with cartridges, and, when required, with transportation. During all the practice, as well as during the matches, (and in August and September the practice was incessant, in the latter month alone the range being used by over 3,000 men,) no one had sustained any injury, with the single exception of a marker in one of the hill butts, who received a slight cut by exposing himself to the "splash" from a bullet, a fact which had great weight in causing these butts to be removed. The first regular annual competition of the association, which began Oct. 8 and lasted to and including Oct. 12, had been satisfactory. Through the generosity of their friends the association had been able to present a prize list, which, with the money added by themselves, made a total of $3,293. The prizes generously given by their friends for competition were as follows: From the State, a silver trophy for the regiment making the best shooting, and two silver water-coolers for the First and Second Divisions, value $700; E. Remington & Sons, twenty-five gold and silver mounted rifles, one being given to the best shot in each team, $1,875; the Gatling Gun Company, a Gatling gun, $2,000; the *Army and Navy Journal*, a silver trophy, $750; Central Railroad of Long Island, prizes, $343; Schuyler, Hartley & Graham, Milford rifle, $300; Adjt. Gen. John F. Rathbone, gold medal, $100; Major Gen. Alexander Shaler, gold medal, $100; Major Gen. John B. Woodward, cash, $100; Hon. W. W. Niles, silver cup, $100; *Forest and Stream*, gilt antlers, $100; Kaldenberg & Co., meerschaum pipe, $100; N. W. Robinson, Wesson rifle, $75; Bethel Burton, medals, $50—Orange Judd, ice-pitcher, &c., $50; making an aggregate of $6,743. The association, through the medium of their report, acknowledge their obligations to the Gorham Manufacturing Company, Messrs. Tiffany & Co., and others for the great trouble and expense they had gone to in designing and manufacturing many of the prizes. In addition to the two regular matches of the association there had been a number of minor competitions. Through the matches of the Amateur Rifle Club, an organization composed mainly of members of the association, and formed for the purpose of encouraging long-range firing with rifles of the most approved pattern, the officers and members of the association had, the report stated, obtained a practical acquaintance with the management of the range which had been of great benefit, and as the entrance fees received from them had paid all expenses, the association had been put to no outlay in the matter. The Amateur Rifle Club had drawn together a number of excellent shots, and had created a healthy competition among the members of the association, which had done much to render the range popular, and had resulted in a great increase of skill among those participating, the scores comparing favorably with those made by the crack shots elsewhere. Referring to the financial condition of the association, the report expressed a hope that they would receive during the coming year such aid from the State and local authorities as would enable them to carry forward to completion the erection of a suitable building and other improvements. It was also hoped that they might obtain the sanction of Congress in such a manner as to make the association a national institution. One of the greatest needs upon the range was a building which could be used as a head-quarters, not only for the association, but by the different organizations using the range. Several regiments, including the Seventh, Twenty-second, and Twenty-third, had applied for leave to erect a building for the accommodation of their members upon the range, and the association had under consideration a general plan upon which permission would be granted to such regiments as were desirous of availing themselves of this privilege during the coming year. The matter of increasing the height of the embankment in the rear of the targets was also a subject that would require to be attended to. In order to arrest stray bullets, particularly ricochet shots, a fence should be erected at least ten feet high so as to make the embankment fully thirty-five feet. If this were done, all complaint from the adjoining land-owners would be removed. The report urges the necessity of a suitable office wherein to transact the detail business connected with the management of the association, and while stating that many things have taken place during the year that cannot be included within its limits, submits with greater elaboration the points which have been summarized above, as the leading matters which come within its scope.

FRESH RESULTS OF THE "TRANSCONTINENTAL" SWINDLE.

The Paris correspondent of the *Pall Mall Gazette*, writing under date of March 27, says: "A very interesting action has just been tried in connection with the Transcontinental swindle. You may remember that the Directors of the company were a short time ago condemned to heavy fines and long terms of imprisonment. The unfortunate bondholders, not satisfied with this, determined to bring actions against M. Morean, the syndic of the Bourse, and against two advertising agencies which had puffed the concern. The case against M. Morean was that he had aided in deceiving the public by permitting the Transcontinental to be quoted at the Bourse. Although this gentleman declared that he had made inquiries, and considered the affair sound, he was sentenced to pay close on £10,000 to the bondholders; nor is this astonishing, as M. Morean sought all his information respecting the company from one of the Directors. The News Agency was condemned to pay a similar sum, not because it advertised the company, but because it had the affair puffed in articles calculated to deceive the public. The court held that the public is able to take care of itself with regard to advertisements, but should not be imposed upon with leaders, &c. However, it is well understood here that the terms of a newspaper are so much for an advertisement, so much for a notice, and so much for a separate article or puff, and one constantly sees the list of prices published in the papers.

JEFFERSON AIDS A MINISTER.

Rev. Mr. Hatch, an Episcopal minister, settled in Charlottesville, Va., in 1819, and, two years later, built him a house. Soon after, he received the following letter from Mr. Jefferson:

MONTICELLO, Dec. 8, '21.

DEAR SIR: In the ancient feudal times of our good old forefathers, when the Seigneur married his daughter or knighted his son, it was the usage for his vassals to give him a year's rent extra, in the name of an aid. I think it as reasonable, when our Pastor builds a house, that each of his flock should give him an aid of a year's contribution. I inclose mine, as a tribute of justice, which of itself, indeed, is nothing, but as an example, if followed, may become something. In any event, be pleased to accept it as an offering of duty and a testimony of my friendly attachment and high respect. TH. JEFFERSON.

Rev. Mr. HATCH.

THE RED MEN.

THE SITUATION AT RED CLOUD AND WHETSTONE AGENCIES.

CAUSE OF THE RECENT TROUBLES—THE TREATY OF 1868—THE ARMY AND THE PEACE COMMISSION.

From Our Own Correspondent.

RED CLOUD AGENCY, Dakota Territory, Monday, April 6, 1874.

The location of this somewhat celebrated seat of war may be approximately ascertained by examining a map of Dakota, and following the course of the White River to the point where it is marked as crossing the Nebraska line, near the south-west corner of the Territory. The river does not actually cross the line at this point, as represented; its course is nearly east and west, instead of north and south, as marked; in fact, all the maps of this country give a very wide guess of the location and course of all the streams. Nobody knows whether Red Cloud is in Nebraska or on the Great Sioux reservation of Dakota. The Indians have always threatened war whenever the Government have proposed to run the line, understanding very well the probability of its leaving them outside their reservation and resulting in the necessity for another move. Various ruses are resorted to for the purpose of postponing the event. When the Commissioners told the Indians in council, the other day, that the Government was going to run the line this Summer, Red Cloud insisted and reiterated again and again that when he was last in Washington the President had told him the northern line of Nebraska should be just wiped out, and not run at all.

To understand the present condition of affairs at the Red River and Whetstone Agencies it is necessary to go back a little. At the close of the great Sioux war, in 1867, which cost the Government thirty million dollars and a large number of lives of white persons, and in which sixteen Indians were killed, a peace was concluded by the celebrated "Peace Commission," composed of Gen. Sherman, Gen. Harney, Senator Henderson, and others. It was followed, in 1868, by a treaty which was signed by representatives of all the different bands of Sioux. The entire Summer was devoted to the work. Presents were dealt out with an almost unstinted hand, and promises were made of almost everything asked for in order to induce all the chiefs to sign the treaty. Among those last to yield were what are known as the Northern Indians, principally the Minneconjous, Uncpapas, and Sans Arcs. The signatures of these chiefs were finally obtained, but almost immediately afterward repudiated by them and never acknowledged at all by the bands of Indians themselves. And these are the Indians who, from that time to the present, have committed most of the hostilities so far as the Sioux are concerned. The treaty itself, in some of its features, is a curiosity. It sets apart as a reservation an immense section of 25,000,000 acres in Dakota, extending from the Missouri River westward. A large portion of the document is devoted to the development of an elaborate system of agriculture and education for these noble red men, who are assigned to a reservation in which farming to any extent is impossible except with irrigation, and that is practicable only for limited areas and at great expense. No timber exists anywhere except a few stunted yellow pines and cotton woods in patches from twenty to sixty miles apart. The only profitable use the country can ever be put to is that of grazing. The little, curly, stunted buffalo grass with which these elevated plateaus are covered is so nutritious that cattle and horses not only live on it during the Winter without other feeding, but come out in the Spring as fat and sleek as corn-fed animals. But the occupation of herding stock corresponds so nearly to the wild life of the Indian that in the interest of civilization he is not to be encouraged in this; and besides, the general experience of the Sioux in grazing operations so far has been to eat up his cows and calves the first time he gets hungry, and call upon the Government for a new supply when they are exhausted. The buffalo and other wild game have become too scarce to contribute any material part of the support of the 40,000 Sioux, Cheyennes, and Arapahoes on this reservation, and they are therefore remitted for the main portion of the year to a life of absolute idleness, with nothing to eat but the rations of the Government or to roaming about in an aimless sort of life until they find something to quarrel about, and thus off the band starts on the war-path.

Up to within the past year these Indians have been fed mainly from points on the Missouri and Platte, on the outskirts of the reservation, under the protection of military posts. Last Spring the agencies for the two largest bands, the Ogallallas and Brulés, to which Red Cloud and Spotted Tail respectively belong, were removed to their present locations, about a hundred miles from the Platte and from the nearest military post. The result was what it would now seem ought to have been foreseen as inevitable. As cold weather came on the Minneconjous, Sans Arcs, and Uncpapas poured in from the north; large numbers of the young lawless Indians from all the Missouri River agencies came over, until there were probably not less than 20,000 collected at these two points. The agents, without protection, were powerless to resist any demand made. The Indians gave their numbers in extravagant figures, refused to allow any white man to come into their camps to count their lodges, and threatened the life of the agent if he cut down their rations. Agent Saville, at Red Cloud, once tried the experiment of counting a village of Minneconjous. Disregarding their threats he rode with his clerk across White River toward the location, but was overtaken by a party, who stopped him and said they came with directions to shoot his horses and then to shoot him if he did not return immediately to the agency. He told them the horses belonged to the Great Father, not to him, and if they wanted to shoot the Great Father's horses to go ahead. Thereupon they took possession of him and his horses and brought them back to the agency, where he found 200 warriors of the band, with their blankets thrown aside waiting to administer summary punishment. In the course of the parley, however, Red Cloud and others of the friendly chiefs came up with their men and interposed, and the affair ended with a very ominous injunction to the agent not to make any further attempts at counting. Very similar scenes occurred from time to time at the Spotted Tail Agency. Major Howard's life was threatened every issue-day for his efforts to resist the exorbitant demands. Every abusive epithet contained in the Dakota vocabulary was heaped on him from morning till night. Proceedings continued to grow more and more turbulent, until in February marauding parties began to leave the agency. Their first excursion was to the herd of the beef contractor on the Niobrara River, some forty miles away, where for some time they helped themselves to beef rations at pleasure, and ended with taking off all the horses of the herders, some forty in number. Going into the vicinity of the Platte, they made a raid upon another stock of horses, fired on the owner, one King, and fatally wounded him. But he returned the fire, killed an Indian, and drove the rest away. In revenge they attacked the first unprotected white man they met, a teamster by the name of Gray, and killed him. About the same time another party further up the Platte, above Fort Laramie, fell in with Lieut. Robinson and Corp. Colman, who were out with a wood train, and killed them. Soon after an Indian, said to be a half brother of the one killed by King, came within the agency stockade in the night, called out young Appleton, clerk at Red Cloud, and shot him down in cold blood. From this until the arrival of the troops, the life of no white man of either agency was safe for a moment. The Secretary of the Interior called for military intervention, and Gen. Sheridan immediately commenced the concentration of all the available forces within 500 miles at Fort Laramie.

At the same time the various authorities connected with the peace policy began to move in the matter. Bishop Hare and Rev. S. D. Hinman were deputed to proceed to the seat of war. The Interior Department sent Inspector Bevier, and the Board of Indian Commissioners sent Commissioner F. H. Smith, all reaching Cheyenne about the time the troops began to move from Fort Laramie. In the meantime, actuated, as is alleged, in part by a desire to head off the movement in Congress for a reduction of the army, in part to facilitate the movement being made in the same body to turn the Indian Department over to the War Department, and to some extent by a desire to avenge the death of poor Robinson, who, with his young wife, were great favorites at Laramie, that whole army seemed suddenly to become red-hot for a general Indian war. A general movement was ordered all along the line. Inflammatory war speeches were made in both Houses of Congress. The General officers of the army appeared in Washington before Congressional committees, while the press was flooded with dispatches from nearly every military post in the Indian country giving accounts of imaginary Indian outrages, and portraying with startling distinctness fictitious pictures of women and children fleeing from their border homes. The Commissioners assembled at Cheyenne, and vainly endeavored for a week to obtain transportation and escort, or either, to the agencies, while from a dozen different sources every day they heard reports of the indignation of army officers at their coming at all, and of their intention to prevent, if possible, their arrival at the seat of war. But at the last moment, after all their arrangements had been completed to start across the country 200 miles in their own conveyances without escort, they were notified that they might avail themselves of a Pay Master's escort from Fort Laramie.

Now, in regard to the military movement, the letter of Dr. Saville, agent to Gen. Smith, commanding at Fort Laramie, published at the time, stated as everything indicated, that if the Indians had notice of the approach of troops they would probably resist, and if resistance was determined upon, every white person at the agencies would be killed before their arrival. Everything, therefore, depended upon a rapid march and a surprise. Under these circumstances the forces of Gen. Smith marched out of Fort Laramie, as I remember, the 26 of March, the cavalry reaching Red Cloud the 5th and infantry the 6th, making the distance of seventy-five miles of open country in four and five days respectively. As the event proved, the hostile Indians having ample notice of what was going on, determined to run, and the troops, on their arrival, found themselves in peaceful occupation, with hostile and friendly Indians anxiously awaiting the arrival of the Commissioners to ascertain whether it was to be peace or war. The Commissioners arrived the 13th, and gave to the Indians the satisfactory assurance that the presence of the army was by direction of the Great Father to protect the agency, and not to make war upon friendly Indians.

Since their arrival they have been at work day and night in counseling with the Indians at the agencies to prevent the recurrence of future troubles, in opening up communication with the hostile bands who have gone north, and investigating the large number of charges made as to the conduct of the agencies; in the course of which they have communicated with all the bands away from the agencies, and are satisfied there is no intention of any organized party to go on the war path, although depredations of individuals and small parties will, no doubt, occur, and will continue to occur, from time to time, so long as the attempt is continued to carry out the treaty of 1868 on this reservation. The Indians at Red Cloud have been counted and registered, and those at Whetstone will probably be counted in the course of the present or the next week. The Indians will either deliver up the murderers and marauders among them, or agree that the agent shall make the arrests with the assistance of the military—both of which are considered very important points gained. No further resistance will be interposed to running the northern line of Nebraska, although if it should prove to run north of this agency, great dissatisfaction will occur. The Commissioners, since their arrival, have traveled everywhere safely, without military escort.

OUR AMERICAN SOULPTORS.

LETTER FROM THOMAS R. G

THE CURRENCY BILL.

DISCUSSING THE PRESIDENT'S INTENTIONS.

NO INDICATION OF WHAT HIS ACTION WILL BE GIVEN TO ANY ONE.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, April 17.—The prospect of approval or veto of the Senate Finance bill is much discussed, and opinion as to the President's action is divided. It does not, however, appear that the President has indicated his purpose to anybody if he has absolutely decided what he will do.

INTERVIEW OF THE NEW-YORK DEPUTATION WITH THE PRESIDENT.

WASHINGTON, April 17.—President Grant was called upon this morning at the Executive Mansion by Messrs. A. A. Low, John T. Johnson, F. S. Winston, Stanton Blake, Cyrus W. Field, S. B. Chittenden, D. E. Hawley, John C. Green, and others, of New-York, representing the leading bankers, capitalists, and merchants of that City. There were present, besides these gentlemen, as mere auditors, Senators Logan, Carpenter, and Ferry, of Michigan, and Representative Potter, of New-York. Mr. Field, addressing the President, said he had the honor of presenting to him a petition, signed by over 2,500 bankers, capitalists, and merchants, without regard to their political opinions, urging him to veto the Senate Finance bill, or any other bill that may be passed by Congress tending to inflate the national currency. The President having received the petition, Mr. A. A. Low addressed him as follows:

ADDRESS OF MR. A. A. LOW.

MR. PRESIDENT: The committee for whom I have the honor to speak have been appointed to visit Washington for the purpose of placing in your hands a letter, which has been signed by 2,500 and more of their fellow-citizens of New-York, asking the interposition of your veto in order to avert what they regard as a most disastrous blow to the credit of the country. By memorial and by petition, by public meetings, and by all the means in their power, they have endeavored to impress upon Senators and Representatives the importance of sacredly respecting the promises and pledges which have been given before the eyes of the whole civilized world, but all their efforts have been in vain, and now as a last act of duty to themselves, and to those whom they represent, in the indulgence of the only hope that remains to them, they make their appeal to the President; and we are permitted to say that they make this appeal with the greater confidence because it has been encouraged by the language of your repeated messages to Congress, and because, as they believe, the solemn pledge to which they would more particularly refer was the first act of Congress which received your signature as President of the United States. Your petitioners do not appear before you as merchants, as financiers, as political economists, but as citizens of the United States, asking only that the honor of the nation, which was so nobly saved by the armies of the Union under your distinguished lead, may not be lost or imperiled by unwise legislation receiving the sanction of your high office.

ADDRESS OF MR. S. B. CHITTENDEN.

Mr. Chittenden then addressed the President as follows: The people we represent are reasonably alarmed for the welfare and honor of the country; the merchants and bankers of New-York have never been, and never can be, parties to sectional issues. They realize that unless the whole country prospers they cannot prosper; but we must warn the people of the West that unless capital is promptly assured of a gradual recovery of the public credit the contraction in those sections will be more serious than would result from the withdrawal of the entire legal-tender issue. The truth is becoming plainer and plainer every day that the country is frightfully demoralized. We need an example of firm and stern fidelity from the Executive. We want something to recall the virtues of Washington and Lincoln; something to enforce their teachings and warnings. The poor, more than the rich; the honest of all parties, but most especially the honest mass of the great Republican Party, look to you, their chief and leader, to save your country again. This is no battle of blood and battalions. Your present enemy has not a concealed weapon or device with which to overwhelm you in case of mischance. Your simple words of power, frankly and honestly spoken, will rally the people of the country and set back the strong tide of folly and corruption which is driving us toward the abyss of repudiation. The honest, intelligent people of this country, men and women, look to you; they appeal to you to stand unflinchingly for the faithful keeping of your own and the nation's promises. No civil ruler in this world has ever been called to confront and beat back such a torrent of vicious and imbecile financial legislation as you are called to meet to-day. The welfare of your country depends upon the measure of your courage in this supreme exigency.

Mr. Field then presented, by request, a letter of Edward S. Jaffray, of New-York, addressed to the President, on the financial subject.

THE PRESIDENT'S REPLY.

The President, in reply, said he had watched the progress of this bill through Congress with more interest than he had any other measure before that body since he had been President. He had at all times been entirely free in the expression of his views, and was always opposed the expansion without redemption, and in favor of free banking, accompanied with such legislation as would carry out the pledges of Congress and to party in the direction of a resumption of specie payments. But he had to look at this matter a little different from the views of this committee. They show very well what they want, and may imagine, as he might were he a citizen of New-York, that the whole country want what they do.

The Chairman of a similar committee from Boston called on him yesterday. If he ever could be in favor of inflation it would be from the effects of such arguments as that gentleman advanced against it. But that position was unlike the one of this committee from New-York. The gentleman from Boston, in behalf of those whom he represented, started out with a condemnation of what he (the President) had always believed to be right, speaking as if he were wrong. They opposed the purchase of United States bonds with a surplus from the United States Treasury, and if he had acted as the Boston committee wanted him to he would have kept such surplus in the Treasury until there was not a greenback in circulation. These bonds were purchased at his own direction. Another argument was used in the Boston memorial, that the issue of greenbacks was of doubtful legality, and was to be deplored, and had been sustained by a bare majority of one in the Supreme Court, as a war measure. In conclusion the President repeated that his views on this question were already known as against inflation, and as opposed to breaking away from the redemption of pledges.

The members composing the committee were then severally introduced to the President, and without further proceedings the interview terminated.

THE APACHES AND SAN CARLOS INDIANS.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 17.—A dispatch from San Diego to-night says nearly all of the Hualapas Apaches have surrendered. Some more of the San Carlos Indians have been killed, but the most of them have surrendered. There have been no recent complaints of raids into Sonora.

MINING STOCKS.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 17.—Raymond & Ely, 22; Golden Chariot, 16½; Overman, 51; Belcher, 78½; Challar, 63; Consolidated Virginia, 86½; Crown Point, 35; Savage, 61½; Ophir, 22; Yellow Jacket, 82½; Gould & Curry, 25.

MEMPHIS SPRING RACES.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., April 17.—The Spring races, commencing on the 27th inst., bid fair to surpass any ever witnessed here. A large number of horses are already here, and others are expected the present week from New-Orleans and Nashville.

ESCAPE OF PRISONERS FROM JAIL.

PHILADELPHIA, April 17.—The Police Department received a telegram this evening, stating that John Klutz and a prisoner named Shaffer broke jail at Reading, Penn., to-day. Klutz belonged to a gang of speak-thieves, who operated upon banking institutions throughout the country, sneaking into banks during banking hours and carrying off whatever valuables they could lay hands upon. Klutz was convicted of robbing the Reading Bank of a tin box containing $2,500, and sentenced to several years' imprisonment. Some of his companions in the same line of business are now serving terms of imprisonment in Pittsburg.

THE MISSISSIPPI.

ADDITIONAL CREVASSES REPORTED—NOTES.

NEW-ORLEANS, April 17.—A dispatch from Baton Rouge reports another crevasse at McCullen's. The other one at that point is not closed, as reported last night.

The officers of the Natchez report a crevasse 600 feet wide and ten deep at Dan Hickey's, west of Baton Rouge.

The pilot of the Scudder reports a large crevasse in Morgan's Bend, just below the Grand Levee.

A Baton Rouge dispatch, to-day, reports the river fallen fourteen inches at that point.

The Jackson Railroad is partly overflowed by the Bonnett Carre crevasse. Trains connect at Pass Manchac with the lake steamer Creole.

There has been no Northern mail for two days. The river here has fallen about a foot, caused, probably, by the crevasses above.

It has been raining all day. Four and a half inches have fallen in twenty-four hours ending at 6 A. M. to-day.

THOUSANDS OF POOR PEOPLE WITHOUT FOOD OR SHELTER—THE GENERAL GOVERNMENT ASKED TO EXTEND AID.

WASHINGTON, April 17.—The following telegraphic correspondence took place to-day:

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, STATE OF LOUISIANA, NEW-ORLEANS, April 17, 1874.

President U. S. Grant:

The unprecedented rise in the Mississippi, aided by violent local storms, has caused a most disastrous overflow. Six or seven of the largest parishes of the State are already under water, and thousands of people, white and black, are without food or shelter, and in danger of starvation. The emergency is so great that I feel constrained to appeal to you directly, asking the General Government, if possible, to extend to these poor people the same relief that was given in the scarcely more distressing calamity at Chicago.

(Signed,) W. P. KELLOGG, Governor of Louisiana.

EXECUTIVE MANSION, WASHINGTON, D. C., April 17.

Gov. W. P. Kellogg, New-Orleans, La.:

Your dispatch of this date asking aid for the sufferers by the disastrous overflow of the Lower Mississippi is received. Congress being in session at this time, I do not feel authorized to order Government aid, as I did in the case of suffering from yellow fever in Shreveport and Memphis last Summer, and in the case of the burning of Chicago two years ago, without the authority of Congress. I will, however, send your dispatch to the Louisiana delegation, and, if a resolution is passed by Congress authorizing it, I will exert every authorized means to avert suffering from the disaster which has overtaken the citizens of Louisiana.

(Signed) U. S. GRANT.

NATIONAL LAW AND ARBITRATION.

MEETING IN ALBANY ON THE SUBJECT OF CODIFICATION—STATEMENT BY DR. MILES.

ALBANY, N. Y., April 17.—There was a meeting this evening in the Court of Appeals Chamber in the interest of the codification of national law and arbitration. Among those present were the Judges of the Court of Appeals, Hon. Ira Harris, Secretary Woolworth, of the Board of Regents, Right Rev. Wm. Croswell Doane, (who presided,) Hon. J. V. L. Pruyn, and other distinguished citizens. Messrs. Lansing and Hun acted as Secretaries.

Dr. J. B. Miles addressed the meeting substantially as follows: He expressed his great pleasure in having an opportunity to meet this intelligent audience, including so many gentlemen of distinction, gathered in the interest of a subject of vast importance, which is now securing the attention of the leading publicists, jurists, and statesmen of all civilized nations. He spoke of the successive steps, including two visits made by himself to European countries, which had resulted in the assembling of the Brussels Conference, and characterized that body as in many respects a remarkable one, being composed of men having many titles to distinction, coming from the principal countries of the globe, to consult upon matters intimately relating to the peace and well-being of all mankind. Among the eminent persons present from Europe were Right Hon. Montague Bernard, formerly of her Majesty's High Commission on the Alabama case; Sir Travers Twiss, Thomas Webster, Queen's Counsel; Henry Pritchard, M. P., who secured the adoption of the motion in favor of arbitration by the House of Commons last Summer. Messrs. Masse, Couchy, Passy and Calor, of France, members of the Institute; Dr. Bluntschli, the eminent professor of law at Heidelburg, Germany; Professors Mancinio and Pieranto, of Italy; Asser and Praebins, of Holland; Sorelye and Joequemyns, of Belgium; Arturo Marcoartu, of Spain, and others. Letters of adhesion were received from Count Sclopis, President of the Geneva Court; Prof. Holtz-Andorff, of Germany; Prof. Bezobrazoff, of St. Petersburg, and many other distinguished men. The conference originated in the conviction which for years has been strengthening in the minds of prominent statesmen of several countries, that law should be substituted for war as an arbitrator of justice among nations. The successful issue of the Geneva arbitration had done much to prepare the way for the present undertaking. That illustrious transaction had demonstrated the practicability of adjusting serious difficulties of nations without a resort to the bloody arbitration of the sword. The advance of intelligence and civilization, and the increased facilities for intercourse, had brought the nation together, so that their interests are interblended, and a war between any two nations works confusion and disorder throughout the world. While the present war system prevails no course is open to the nations but to increase their standing armies, which, now number perhaps not less than ten million men which are maintained at the enormous cost of three thousand million dollars annually. The people are feeling that the burdens and horrors of the war system are intolerable, and are asking for some substitute for it. It is the purpose of this movement to devise, if possible, such a substitute. The meeting continued in session four days, and was very harmonious. A permanent organization was effected, and the next meeting was appointed to be held in Geneva in the coming August. The prospects of that meeting are very encouraging. Several distinguished Americans were to attend.

Dr. Miles also spoke of the national societies which have been formed, auxiliary to the international one, in France, Italy, and England, with which eminent men of those countries are connected. Resolutions in favor of the codification of international law and arbitration were adopted at Brussels and concurred in by a meeting recently held in Boston, in which Hon. Charles F. Adams, Hon. R. C. Winthrop, Rev. Dr. Peabody, and others, participated.

At the conclusion of Dr. Miles' remarks Chief Justice Church offered the following resolutions, which were adopted:

Resolved, That this meeting has heard with great satisfaction from Dr. Miles, from Boston, one of the representatives of the United States to the Brussels Conference, an account of the movement for the codification of international law promotion of arbitration, and other measures for the amicable settlement of the differences of nations so successfully inaugurated.

Resolved, That we rejoice in the encouraging prospects of this great improvement, and we cordially concur, as did a meeting recently held in Boston, in the following resolution moved by Right Hon. Montague Barnard, and unanimously adopted by the Brussels Conference: "This conference declares that it regards arbitration as a means essentially just and reasonable, and even obligating on nations of terminating international differences which cannot be settled by negotiation. It abstains from affirming that in all cases without exception this mode of solution is applicable, but it believes that the exceptions are rare, and it is convinced that no difference ought to be considered insoluble until after a clear statement of complaints, a reasonable delay, and the exhaustion of all pacific methods of accommodation."

ICE IN THE ST. LAWRENCE.

PORT-AU-BASQUE, Newfoundland, April 17.—Sealers report the gulf as getting clear of ice. There are only strings of ice between here and Anticosti, and for ten miles around here the gulf is clear.

REPEAL OF THE SUNDAY LAW IN CINCINNATI.

CINCINNATI, April 17.—The first meeting of the new City Council this afternoon passed an ordinance repealing what are known as the Sunday and Temperance ordinances by a vote of 38 to 5.

SUPREME COURT CALENDAR.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., April 17.—The following is the General Term Calendar for Monday, April 20, 1874: Nos. 138, 142, 147, 149, 154, 160, 161, 163, 163½, 23, 34, 65, 81, 85, 92, 116, 120, 146.

THE WINTERMUTE CASE FOR THE MURDER OF McCOOK.

YANKTON, Dacota, April 17.—The District Court is now in session here, with Chief Justice Shannon presiding. The indictment returned at the last term against Wintermute, for manslaughter having been set aside, great interest is felt in the action of the Grand Jury which was impanelled to-day. The charge of the Chief Justice had special reference to this case, and was remarkably clear, able, and comprehensive. Hon. Jason B. Brown, Secretary of Wyoming Territory, and well known as an able lawyer, has been present from the first day of the term, and will remain until after the trial, taking an active part in the prosecution, through friendship for Secretary McCook.

MR. SUMNER'S SUCCESSOR.

ELECTION OF GOV. WILLIAM B. WASHBURN.

THE BALLOTING YESTERDAY—THE END AT LAST REACHED—HOW THE RESULT WAS RECEIVED IN BOSTON.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

BOSTON, April 17.—The contest is ended, and Washburn is Sumner's successor. This result is a great surprise to the city to-night, and was not dreamed of by a single member of the Legislature when the joint convention began the work of the day, but there was a feeling that the end of the deadlock was nigh, the majority of the Dawes and Hoar men declaring their desire to have done with the struggle and secure an election of somebody. The victory is with the friends of Judge Hoar and the opponents of Gen. Butler. The Dawes men were in secret conference during the forenoon and up to within a few moments of the first roll-call at noon to-day, and so also were the Hoar men, and messages passed mysteriously from one to the other, but no accurate report could be obtained of the proceedings or the factions before the business of the convention had begun. As the voting on the first ballot proceeded, it was evident that "things had been fixed" to bring out the opponents of Hoar in solid column. The change made by John F. Haskins from Adams back to his first love, Hoar, caused quite a buzz of remarks, and when Ezra Stearns, a persistent adherent to Curtis, gave the name of E. R. Hoar as his reply to the call of the clerk, a "that fixes it" from all sides showed how closely noses had been counted, as the result proved that his vote gave to Hoar for the first time a plurality over all other candidates. Then a recess was at once taken until 2 o'clock, and the Hoar and Dawes men proceeded immediately to the conference-room, and went into secret session. In the Dawes caucus there was a very animated and rather hot discussion on the report of the committee recommending that their candidate be dropped and a new one selected acceptable to the friends of Judge Hoar. The report was finally accepted by a vote of 38 to 22, and then on the question of selecting a new candidate there was fresh discussion and very little progress was made, the caucus being divided between Dr. Loring, Gov. Washburn, and Ex-Gov. Bullock. Several ballots were taken without any result, but Dr. Loring led in each instance, the ballot, it was said, showing 33 out of 60 votes for him. On the announcement at the Hoar head-quarters that Loring was the leading compromise candidate, a decided opposition to him was expressed, and it was unanimously agreed to vote solid for Judge Hoar again on the next ballot. So the factions went into convention after the recess at 2. The vote showed 75 for Hoar against 72 for Dawes. Then a second recess was taken and other conferences had. It was reported to the Hoar men that many Dawes men were dissatisfied with their leaders, and if they (the Hoar men) would throw their strength for Washburn, enough Dawes men would join them to secure his election. This, it was further urged, was necessary, as a strong Butler element had developed itself in the Dawes caucus, and such a man as Washburn must be decided upon to prevent its success. One proposition was received from the Dawes men that Loring be taken as the compromise candidate, but it was promptly rejected by the Hoar men, and another proposition, which was also rejected, was that if the Hoar men would pass a complimentary resolution upon the life and general character of Dawes, his friends would withdraw him as a candidate. The convention met again at 3:10, and the roll was again called, when, as about half the names had been called, it became evident that there was at last an understanding that Hoar and Dawes were both to be withdrawn and Washburn substituted. The result proved that Washburn had received over 100 votes, and when this was discovered there was a great desire to get on the winning side before the official declaration of the vote was made. This desire was so general that the President requested the members of each section to announce their names separately. No less than forty-five of the members joined the Washburn party from the scattering, Dawes, and other parties. The Democrats kept together to the very end, and the Whittier phalanx proved true to the last. The feeling to-night is one of relief at the settlement of the question, but dissatisfaction to some extent with the choice. Washburn is almost universally regarded as an upright and honorable man, a sound Republican and a persistent opponent of Butlerism, but he is not in any sense a leader or statesman. He will vote well, though he will occupy a back seat. His selection throws the contest into the next State canvass, so that the Senatorship issue will be one of the questions which the distracted managers will have to meet in common with Butlerism. One of the best results of his election is the saving of the party from a dangerous split. If either Dawes or Hoar had been elected a large fraction would be sure to be angered. But through Washburn's election no tender lines are broken, and no scores are run up for future settlement.

It transpired late to-night that at the meeting of the Dawes men last night there was a hot discussion over the letter from the supporters of Hoar, and a vast deal of indignation over what was assumed to be imputations on the purity and uprightness of the character of Dawes. A disposition was shown to return the communication and break off all nominations, but it was decided to wait and ask for an explanation. To-day the Hoar men disclaimed in the most explicit terms any intention to reflect on the political character or purposes of Mr. Dawes. This disclaimer did much to modify the Dawes men and smooth the way to a compromise. In an informal interview Mr. Washburn declared to-night that he was fully in sympathy with the purposes of Sumner or his measures for securing the rights of the negroes, and with the wishes of Massachusetts on the financial question.

Dispatch to the Associated Press.

The thirty-first ballot was taken this morning for United States Senator, with the following result:

Whole number of votes, 265; necessary to a choice, 133.

Dawes	92	Adams	4
Hoar	93	Washburn	1
Curtis	67	Whittier	1
Banks	7		

A recess was then taken until 2 o'clock this afternoon.

THE THIRTY-SECOND BALLOT.

The following is the thirty-second ballot for Senator:

Whole number of votes cast, 265; necessary to a choice, 133.

Dawes	72	Washburn	10
Hoar	75	Banks	12
Curtis	69	Loring	3
Adams	19		

Pitman, Whittier, Sanford, Hale, and Phillips, 1 each.

Recess for thirty minutes.

THE THIRTY-THIRD BALLOT.

At a meeting of the Dawes men before the session opened at 2 o'clock, a ballot for candidates other than Mr. Dawes resulted in 36 votes for Dr. Loring and 14 for Washburn, a part of which were for Emory Washburn and part for Gov. Washburn. The rest were scattering, Judge Bennett, of Taunton, receiving some votes.

During the recess, between 2:30 and 3, a communication was received from the Dawes men, proposing a union on the name of Dr. Loring, which was rejected by the Hoar men by an almost unanimous vote. Another proposition was received from the Dawes men that the Hoar men should pass a resolution complimentary to Mr. Dawes, and the Dawes men would then withdraw his name. They also proposed that but one more ballot should be taken to-day, and the convention then adjourn to Saturday.

Both these propositions were voted down.

Mr. Sprague, of Framingham, moved that the Hoar men should stick to Judge Hoar, but finally withdrew the motion.

The thirty-third and final ballot was taken at 3:10. When the convention assembled after the recess, Mr. Codman, of Boston, moved to proceed at once to a ballot, which was carried, and the roll was called. After the roll was first called there began an immediate change of votes, which lasted nearly half an hour, all of them in favor of Gov. Washburn. The result was as follows:

Whole number of votes, 267; necessary to a choice, 134.

William B. Washburn	151	Banks	4
Curtis	64	Wendell Phillips	1
Dawes	26	Stephen N. Gifford	1
Adams	15	John G. Whittier	1
Loring	4		

The President stated that, "It appears that William B. Washburn is chosen Senator," and declared the convention adjourned.

HOW THE ELECTION WAS RECEIVED IN BOSTON.

BOSTON, April 17.—The election of Gov. Washburn to the United States Senate caused considerable surprise, as his name has had little prominence in the contest. The people, however, were growing impatient under the prolonged controversy, and the result, although unexpected, is generally well received. The Boston *Journal's* editorial of to-morrow morning says of the result: "On the thirty-third ballot his Excellency William B. Washburn was chosen United States Senator to fill the unexpired term of the late Charles Sumner, which will terminate March 3, 1875. It is a happy conclusion to a tedious contest, the prolongation of which threatened to become a scandal to the good name of Massachusetts. The capability of our legislators to discharge an important duty was doubted in some quarters. But, through much tribulation, and after groping around the difficulties which came upon the Republicans when they refused to consult in caucus, they have hit upon the wisest and most fortunate solution of the Senatorial problem. It is not a victory for Judge Hoar; it is not a triumph for Mr. Dawes; and most certainly Mr. Butler will not regard the election of a gentleman who has twice driven him out of a State Republican Convention as a result which brings him even a crumb of comfort. There may be a few of the old adherents of the two prominent candidates who will, perhaps, cherish resentments arising from errors for which they are alone responsible, but the Republicans of Massachusetts will accept and indorse the selection as one creditable to the State, and every way honorable to the party. If there be any who have heart-burnings, we counsel them to comfort themselves with the reflection that the members of the convention have kept the control of this election within the Republican Party, and that the wishes of those who oppose the party organization have been frustrated, and that the advice of unwise counsellors has not prevailed."

The election of Gov. Washburn causes the duties of the office to devolve upon Lieut. Gov. Talbott, who is at present on a tour for his health in Texas.

HON. WILLIAM B. WASHBURN.

William B. Washburn, the Governor of Massachusetts, and the newly-elected Senator from that State, was born in Winchendon, Mass., on Jan. 31, 1820. He graduated at Yale College in the year 1844, and has since been engaged in manufacturing pursuits. He has for nearly a quarter of a century taken an active part in State and national politics. He served as a member of the State Senate in 1850, and of the Lower House in 1854. He has served three terms in Congress as a Representative from Massachusetts. He was first elected to the Thirty-eighth Congress, and served on the Committees on Invalid Pensions and Roads and Canals. He was re-elected to the Thirty-ninth Congress, and served on the Committees on Claims and Revolutionary Pensions. He was elected and served as a delegate to the Philadelphia "Loyalists' Convention" in 1866, and was again re-elected to serve in the Fortieth Congress. In 1871 he was elected Governor of his native State, and was re-elected in 1872 to the same position. In 1873 he was again re-elected Governor of the State, which office he at present fills. When in Congress, he enjoyed in a marked degree the confidence of his associates, and, although not gifted with great oratorical powers, he was always able to command the respect and attention of the House. He is a man whose character is unblemished, and, although Massachusetts has more able men among her citizens, she has none who can excel Gov. Washburn in integrity of character and purity of motives.

BY MAIL AND TELEGRAPH.

The races at New-Orleans were postponed until to-day.

The receipts of internal revenue yesterday were $262,080.

Rain, snow, and sleet prevailed nearly all yesterday at Boston, and continued during last night.

The Cincinnati meeting appointed for last night by the persons in favor of the Congressional policy of inflation was indefinitely postponed.

At Portland, Oregon, yesterday afternoon, several crusading women were arrested on complaint of the saloon-keepers whose places they besieged.

The body of Tobias Burke, who disappeared last November, was found yesterday under Portland Bridge, Me. The deceased worked in the Portland Me., rolling-mills, and probably fell from the bridge. He leaves a wife and two children.

The reported sinking of the American fishing schooner J. F. Huntress is untrue. The sailor who told the story to the American Consul, at Halifax, Nova Scotia, ran away from the Huntress at Prospect, Nova Scotia, on Wednesday.

LOSSES BY FIRE.

A fire broke out in a two-story wooden block, Nos. 35 and 37 Center street, Rutland, Vt., at 2 A. M. yesterday. The building was occupied by F. M. Smith, merchant tailor, G. Valequette, boots and shoes, and by Mrs. Fillmore as a boarding-house. The fire was subdued without much loss, although the stock and furniture were considerably injured by water. This same building has been set on fire three times before within a few months. Insurance was in Vermont companies, except $2,000 in the Hartford.

A fire in Cambridgeport, Mass., yesterday morning, destroyed J. J. Gray's picture-frame manufactory, an extensive establishment. The building, owned by Micah Dyer, Jr., was damaged to the extent of $20,000. Mr. Gray's loss is estimated at $40,000, upon which there is small insurance.

OBITUARY.

HON. E. K. BOYLE.

Hon. E. K. Boyle, a member of the Maine State Senate and a prominent lawyer of Belfast City, died yesterday, aged thirty-eight years. He was County Attorney from 1862 to 1871, and had recently received the appointment of United States Consul for Valparaiso.

ESCAPE OF A CONVICT FROM RICHMOND PRISON, VIRGINIA.

RICHMOND, Va., April 17.—A notorious negro, named Albert Fortune, arrested about a year ago in Baltimore as an escaped convict from the Virginia Penitentiary, and who jumped from a train in rapid motion while en route from Richmond, but was recaptured, succeeded in escaping from the Penitentiary at 2 o'clock this morning. He was shot at four times by the guard, but got clear.

THE MEXICAN WAR VETERANS.

WILKESBARRE, Penn., April 17.—The Scott Legion, composed of survivors of the Mexican war, to the number of nearly 100, arrived here by the 2:20 o'clock Lehigh Valley train to-day, it being the anniversary of the battle of Cerro Gordo. They were met at Whitehaven by Mayor Kirkendall, Gen. Dana, Dr. Banks, and a delegation of the Council of this city, and were received at the depot on the arrival of the train here by Major Gen. Osborne, Col. Ricketts, Major Conyngham, the Wyoming Artillerists, under Capt. Finch, Meyer's Band, the Police force, and a large throng of citizens; Major Gens. Patterson, Cadwalader, Abercrombie, and Brig. Gens. Ballier, Biles, and Winslow were the most prominent of the delegation. The procession was formed at once, and amid a furious snow-storm started for the Wyoming Valley Hotel. The entire line of march was thronged with people, notwithstanding the inclement weather, and the Stars and Stripes were displayed from nearly every residence. On their arrival at the hotel the legion was received with an address of welcome by Hon. H. B. Wright, after which they partook of a banquet tendered by the leading citizens. In the evening the legion returned to Mauch Chunk.

THE NORTH CAROLINA VOLCANIC DISTURBANCES.

RALEIGH, N. C., April 17.—Private dispatches received in this city this evening from Western Carolina, report severe and heavy rumblings in Bald and Stone Mountains on Tuesday last. The trembling of the earth was felt for more than 100 miles from the mountains. The shocks are more severe than before, and it is firmly believed by scientists that an eruption is imminent.

ALBANY.

PROGRESS OF THE SUPPLY BILL.

THE WILLARD ASYLUM ITEM—RAPID TRANSIT AND ITS OPPONENTS—THE CANALS—THE EXPENSES OF THE RING SUITS.

From Our Own Correspondent.

ALBANY, Friday, April 17, 1874.

In the Senate, this morning, the Industrial Exhibition bill, shorn of its objectionable features, was passed. After the transaction of routine business of an uninteresting character the annual Supply bill was taken up and discussed until the hour of adjournment. The appropriation of $150,000 to the Willard Asylum, as made by the Assembly, was inserted in place of the $100,000 grant made by the Finance Committee. The appropriation of $5,000 for the armory at Oswego was reduced to $4,000, after which a recess was taken until this evening.

The Supply bill was the special order in the Senate this evening, its consideration occupying the entire session. Mr. Ganson moved to strike out the item of $300,000 for the Elmira Reformatory, and insert in lieu thereof $300,000 for the State Insane Asylum at Buffalo. He argued that it was cruel and wrong to leave the many hundred lunatics of the State without proper accommodations. The amendment, after debate, was lost. The appropriation to the Blind Institution at Batavia was increased to $7,500. Mr. Johnson moved to strike out the item of $55,000 for running a steam-boat at quarantine, and read from the law showing that the laws of 1863, under which the office was reorganized, requires the officer to pay the running expenses of the boat, his fees being sufficient to permit him to pay such expenses. Mr. Woodin, in reply, said Dr. Vanderpool pledged himself to make the department self-sustaining after the present year. The motion to strike out was lost. The bill was finally read through and progressed. During the course of the debate Senator Wagner gave notice that to-morrow he would move to insert the Assembly item appropriating $50,000 for the erection of a monument on the battle-field of Saratoga. Senator Ganson gave notice that he would move to strike out the appropriation of $1,000,000 for the continuance of the work on the new Capitol. The Senate has determined, if possible, to order the Supply bill to a third reading this week. With this end in view the session this evening was continued until after 11 o'clock, and to-morrow business will begin an hour earlier than usual.

RAPID TRANSIT.

The action of the House last night in regard to the Eastman Rapid Transit bill is the prevailing topic of discussion here. Damaging rumors are afloat as to the motives by which those who voted against the amendments offered to perfect the bill and remove its objectionable features were actuated. One report is to the effect that A. D. Barber boasted to a Senator this morning that the virtual defeat of the bill was, in a large degree, attributable to his intervention. Weed, Lincoln, and some others profess that a considerable share of their opposition to the bill was caused by indignation at the course pursued toward them by Eastman; but the majority of people here "take little stock" in their assurances on this head.

IMPROVEMENT OF THE CANALS.

The Assembly to-day passed the bill making appropriations for the improvement of the canals and "extraordinary repairs." For the removal of the bench-walls on the Erie Canal and substitution of slope-walls in the place thereof, $750,000 is appropriated; and for the improvement of the Champlain Canal, $1,000,000. There are, it is stated in some quarters, several appropriations in the bill which will bear overhauling in the Senate.

ELOQUENCE AT A DISCOUNT.

A resolution was adopted in the House to-day providing that members shall not occupy more than five minutes in speaking to any question. Messrs. Wachner, Alvord, McQueen, and O'Callaghan are disconsolate.

THE RING FRAUDS.

The bill appropriating $25,000 for the prosecution of the civil and criminal suits against the Ring thieves passed the House to-day by a vote of 82 to 15.

NEW-YORK PARK IMPROVEMENT.

The bill to provide for the further improvement of the parks in the City of New-York was reported by Senator Woodin, from the Committee on Cities. The bill has been amended by striking out the clause providing for the construction of a meteorological and astronomical observatory in Central Park, and by reducing the appropriation from $1,000,000 to $250,000.

THE NEW CAPITOL.

It has been rumored to-day that a clause will be inserted in the Supply bill, before its completion to-morrow, providing that the Governor, Attorney General, and Controller shall be appointed a commission to conduct the work on the new Capitol building. This commission will, it is said, be also empowered to appoint a General Superintendent. The evidence before the Senate Committee on Finance, engaged in investigating the management of the work on the new building, shows that gross carelessness, to use no harsher term, has prevailed throughout the entire management.

QUICK TRANSIT AGAIN.

In the Assembly this evening Mr. C. S. Spencer moved that the Third Avenue Quick Transit bill, also the bill to authorize the New-York and Harlem Railroad Company to construct an elevated road for rapid transit, be made the special order for Tuesday morning next. Mr. Cauldwell moved to include the bill to incorporate the New-York Quick Transit Company. A sharp debate sprung up, in which Mr. Weed said it was unfair to bring up this proposition at this time in the absence of so many of the New-York delegation. The motion prevailed.

The bill relative to savings banks in the City and County of New-York, allowing them to deposit in only four banks, came up for a third reading and was rejected.

THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

STATEMENT OF GEORGE R. CHITTENDEN—HOW HE USED THE $97,000.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, April 17.—The entire day was devoted by the Investigation Committee to the examination of George R. Chittenden, and the information gained was very meagre for the time spent. The statement of Chittenden briefly is that he was five months in Washington, and obtained a contract for De Golyer & McLellan to buy 200,000 square yards of their pavement, and that for obtaining this contract he paid to Congressman Parsons $15,000 for professional services, to Rev. Culver Brown $10,000 to recommend and urge the advantage of this particular pavement, and to one A. B. Kirtland $72,000, or thirty-six cents a square yard for the whole award, and paid the latter amount because he had heard enough of the course of business here to believe that ready and able agents might be employed for the furtherance of a just cause which would readily absorb in a short period of time the $72,000, but he never knew how Kirtland used the money. The committee was very anxious to know what influences Mr. Brown and Mr. Kirtland used or pretended to use for procuring the contracts. They plied the witness with questions to this point with all the ingenuity that legal experience in the examination of witnesses could suggest, but they gained absolutely no information. Mr. Chittenden did not know or would not tell. His explanation for paying so much without knowing just what influence was obtained for it, was that the fee was contingent upon the award, and that when the award was made he fulfilled his agreement. The memorialists have an idea that a ring, as they term it, was formed here, which had the control of the awards of contracts, and that anybody who wanted a contract had to pay money, which was distributed among this ring. They insinuate that members of the board were connected with the ring and profited by its operation, but they do not elicit any evidence to prove such a state of facts. The man who is wanted to clear up the mystery is A. B. Kirtland. The Sergeant at Arms is after him with a warrant, and as his location has been discovered he will be ultimately compelled to appear, though he had attempted to dodge the officer who has the subpœnas.

The evidence in the De Golyer case thus far has not traced any portion of the money paid into the hands of anybody who came in contact with the Board of Public Works, except Mr. Parsons and Mr. Garfield, whom Parsons employed. Mr. Parsons was at the time Marshal of the Supreme Court, and has since been elected to Congress. Mr. Garfield was a member of Congress and Chairman of the Appropriations Committee. Mr. Parsons explains to the committee what he considers his position in the affair, but Mr. Garfield keeps silence. When the District Government presents its case there will be still further testimony presented on this subject.

Dispatch to the Associated Press.

WASHINGTON, April 17.—In the District of Columbia investigation this morning Geo. R. Chittenden, of Chicago, took the stand and read a sworn statement with reference to his connection with the contract of De Golyer & McLellan for laying 100,000 square yards of wood pavement in this city. In it he denied that any money was used by him for corrupt purposes. He was questioned sharply in relation to the distribution of the $97,000 paid him by De Golyer & McLellan. He said that he gave of this sum $15,000 to Mr. Parsons, and $10,000 to W. Colville Brown, and that one Col. Kirtland purchased the notes, amounting to $72,000. He said he did not know what influence Brown or Kirtland used; that he paid them money without knowing whether they used any influence at all on their own uncorroborated statement that their influence had secured the contract.

MR. CHITTENDEN'S STATEMENT.

Mr. Chittenden in his statement gives substantially the following history of his connection with the De Golyer & McLellan paving contract: Arriving in Washington, I found forty-one competitors. I believed then, as I believe still, that the pavement I represented was far superior to any other. I was authorized by De Golyer & McLellan in addition to the one-third share of the profits which they had agreed to give me, to offer any persons, whom I might see fit, fifty cents per square yard for securing the award and the contract. I first made a proposition to Mr. Huntington to pay him, in — cents per square yard—the amount I do not now recollect—supposing that his long acquaintance in the city would be of service to me. He accomplished nothing, and I myself, never having seen or approached a single official of any character, employed purely in his relation as counsel, Hon. R. C. Parsons, asking him to present our case to the Board of Public Works, to urge upon them as the counsel of De Golyer & McLellan the superiority of their patent and the pavement which they proposed to lay. After explanations, witness induced Mr. Parsons to perform this service, giving him $5,000 as a retaining fee, and agreeing on behalf of De Golyer & McLellan to pay him $10,000 more upon the award. I never employed any other counsel but Mr. Parsons, but I was advised by him that he had secured, as a personal accommodation in his absence, the services of Mr. Garfield. The award having been made in favor of those he represented, witness kept his agreement, and paid Mr. Parsons the additional $10,000. I supposed that in the furtherance of my views I required something more than mere counsel; accordingly, believing that he was known in this city, I employed Wm. Calvin Brown, whose duty it was, under my employment, to recommend and urge the advantages of the De Golyer & McLellan pavement, and paid him five cents per square yard, or $10,000, for his services. When I employed him I never suspected that he intended, nor do I now believe that he ever did use a dollar for any corrupt purposes. I have already said there were forty-one competitors against me. Mr. A. B. Kirtland approached me, and assuring me that he had a large and extensive acquaintance in this city, offered to secure, through his influence, the contract I desired. I was authorized by De Golyer & McLellan to give fifty cents per square yard for securing the contract, and, the engagement of Kirtland being entirely conditional, I agreed to pay him the sum of $72,000 for securing a contract, or thirty-six cents per square yard. The contract was made by De

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SENATE.

Mr. SPENCER, of Alabama, from the Committee on Commerce, reported back resolutions of the California Legislature protesting against granting any additional subsidy to the Pacific Mail Steam-ship Company, with the bill repealing the law of June 1, 1872, providing for additional subsidy of half a million per annum for semi-monthly service, and annulling the contract for said additional service, the company having failed to comply with the conditions of said contract. The bill was placed on the calendar with the report of the committee.

THE LOUISVILLE AND PORTLAND CANAL.

Mr. SCOTT called up the bill to provide for the purchase of the bonds of the Louisville and Portland Canal Company.

Mr. CONKLING said he did not accept the suggestion that this was a local question. It fell to the lot of the State of New-York to pay one-sixth of the tax gathered in the Union, as she had within her borders one-eleventh of the population of the country, and he need not apologize for raising his voice against buying a canal, and probably a lawsuit, or in assortment of them.

Mr. STEVENSON, of Kentucky, said the United States had appropriated already over $1,000,000 for this work, and the contest now was not between Kentucky and the United States. Kentucky had pledged her faith to surrender her jurisdiction over the canal to the United States. The question now was, whether the United States, having paid so much money, should not take possession of the work. No one made any objection, except five Trustees, who levied and collected $350,000 annually on the canal, and were accountable to no one. The whole commerce of the Ohio Valley demanded that the Government should take possession of the canal. The State of Kentucky has never received a dollar from tax on the property.

The amendment proposed by the Senate Finance Committee to strike out the provision that the Secretary of the Treasury shall pay no money, and the Secretary of War shall not take possession of the work until the State of Kentucky shall cede to the United States jurisdiction over the canal, and relinquish to the United States the right to tax or in any way to assess said canal during the time the Government may remain in possession thereof, was agreed to. Also, the amendment to strike out the provision that no money shall be paid under the provisions of the act until all claims for said tax shall have been released. The new section reported by the committee, providing that if at any time it should become necessary to enforce the lien of the mortgage upon said canal property for the benefit of the bondholders, it should be lawful for the Trustees named in the mortgage to commence proceedings in any court having jurisdiction, and to notice the United States as *terre tenant pro formâ*, and serve the process upon any officer of the United States who shall have the superintendence of said canal, was also agreed to, and the question then recurred on agreeing to the amendments of the House as amended by the Senate. Pending the discussion the morning hour expired.

LOUISIANA.

The Senate resumed the consideration of the Louisiana bill.

Mr. THURSTON, of Nebraska, said he apprehended the minds of Senators were all made up on this Louisiana question, and should the vote be taken to-morrow, Senators would vote as they now thought, and would not be influenced by anything he might say. Nevertheless, he had his views, and felt it to be incumbent on him to give expression to them. It was a serious question for Congress to consider, whether in saving the Union it had not lost the States. The people were looking to the Federal Government as the only power. Time and time again the people of Texas were calling upon the United States for protection, and the State of Arkansas was doing the same thing to-day. He read from a report made to the Senate last Winter by a portion of the Committee on Privileges and Elections, deploring Federal interference in Louisiana affairs, and also from the message of Gov. Warmoth in 1872, detailing the unwarrantable and unlawful part taken in the State politics by Federal officials. He next quoted from Republican newspapers of New-Orleans, representing that the election in 1872 was as peaceable and orderly as in any State of the Union, and read at length from the testimony taken by the committee as to the condition of affairs in Louisiana, declaring that there was a conspiracy on the part of Kellogg and his associates to steal the State of Louisiana. He said the President was arrayed against McEnery and on the side of Kellogg, and read the letter of Kellogg to the President, which he characterized as a remarkable document. The Attorney General should have answered in reply to Kellogg's request for troops, that the Administration was willing to contribute means to aid its political friends in Louisiana; that it would send members of the Cabinet to stump the State, as it did send the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of the Treasury to stump North Carolina, but the Constitution and laws did not authorize the maintenance of an army to put its friends in power. The whole case should have been left to the State tribunals. The conspirators in Louisiana had borrowed an army and stolen a State. By Judge Durell's order and military protection the conspirators got possession of the State-house and drove in their political cattle. He quoted at great length from the telegrams which were sent to the authorities at Washington by Casey, Pinchback and others, and said he could not conceive that the order of the Federal troops the legally-elected Governor of Louisiana would soon show him that the present Legislature was not the lawful one, and there would be no conflict either, as the members of that Legislature would follow the Federal army away from the State. He protested against seating any man as a member of the Senate who came here with the credentials of Kellogg. At the same time he protested against the passage of Senator Carpenter's bill, as it would strike down the legally-elected Gov. McEnery. His remedy was to remove the foot of the Federal Judge from the downtrodden State of Louisiana, and the Government now held in abeyance by Federal troops would resume its legitimate functions.

At 5:45 P. M., on motion of Mr. Boreman, the Senate proceeded to the consideration of executive business, and after a short time the doors were reopened and the Senate adjourned till Monday.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

THE MISSISSIPPI FLOOD.

Mr. MOREY, of Louisiana, introduced a joint resolution for the furnishing of rations, forage, and clothing to the people suffering from the innundation from the overflow of the Mississippi and its tributaries. He addressed the House on the subject, and sent to the Clerk's desk and had read newspaper extracts detailing the condition of things along the Mississippi and Arkansas Rivers. He said that the present innundation was greater than any that had happened since 1847, and the people never were more destitute. He gave the number of people needing aid at from 10,000 to 15,000.

Mr. COX, of New-York, remarked that the proposition was rather extraordinary. The Government might as well be called upon to furnish aid to the 40,000 starving people in New-York City.

After some further discussion the joint resolution was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs, with leave to report at any time.

THE TIME DEVOTED TO PRIVATE BUSINESS.

The subject for precedence of business drew the remark from the Speaker that more time had been devoted to private bills at this session than at any session for fifteen years past, and he suggested that the rule setting apart Friday and Saturday of each week for private bills ought to be changed, as the practical effect of it was to take two-fifths of the time of the House from public business and give it to private business.

Mr. DAWES, of Massachusetts, asked leave to offer a resolution setting apart Saturday only for private business until otherwise ordered.

Mr. RANDALL, of Pennsylvania, objected unless the resolution was referred to the Committee on Rules.

The upshot of the discussion was that the House refused to go either into Committee of the Whole on the private calendar or the Committee of the Whole on the state of the Union, and instead proceeded to the business of the morning hour, which was the call of committees for reports of a private character.

Mr. DAWES, of Massachusetts, from the Committee on Ways and Means, reported a bill to authorize the Trustees of the Massachusetts Museum of Fine Arts to import free of duty and to retain for two years a collection of pictures belonging to the Duc de Montpensier. The bill was referred, on a point of order, to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the private calendar.

THE WASHINGTON AND POINT LOOKOUT RAILROAD.

After the reference of several private bills to the Committee of the Whole, Mr. RICE, of Illinois, from the Committee on the District of Columbia, reported a bill authorizing the Washington City and Point Lookout Railroad Company to enter the City of Georgetown with its railroad through the City of Washington, and to build a bridge across the Potomac River above navigation, to connect with the Washington branch of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad.

Mr. DAWES, of Massachusetts, opposed the bill, because it permitted an encroachment on the grounds of the Government Insane Asylum. He argued that the route should be located so as not to infringe on those grounds.

Mr. G. F. HOAR, of Massachusetts, offered an amendment directing the Attorney General to take measures to protect the rights of the United States to the property of the National Insane Asylum, and to cause the railroad track to be removed therefrom.

After a long discussion the bill was passed, with an amendment offered by Mr. WARD, of Illinois, requiring the removal of the track already laid between the asylum building and the Potomac River.

THE LEGISLATIVE BILL.

The House then, having refused to go into Committee of the Whole on the private calendar, went, at 3:15 P. M., into Committee of the Whole on the state of the Union, Mr. Woodford, of New-York, in the chair, on the Legislative, Executive, and Judicial Appropriation bill, the question being on the amendment offered by Mr. Butler, of Massachusetts, last after March, 1875, the publication of laws in newspapers shall not cease, inserting the word "not" before the word "cease" in the proviso.

The Chair ruled the amendment out of order, from which ruling Mr. BUTLER appealed. The ruling was sustained by the committee.

The item appropriating $50,000 for postage stamps for the State Department, reopened the subject of franking.

Mr. BUTLER, of Massachusetts, proposed to appropriate only $1,000 for furnishing postage stamps at the cost of manufacture.

Mr. FARNSWORTH, of Illinois, protested to have the official documents sent through the mails free.

Mr. GARFIELD, of Ohio, opposed both propositions, and advocated the propriety of each department paying its own postage.

Mr. BUTLER stated that the Post Office Department had a portion of its own business carried through the mails free.

Mr. DAWES corroborated that statement by the assertion that large boxes of postal cards were sent every day from Springfield, Mass., to all parts of the country free through the mails.

Mr. WILLARD, of Vermont, offered an amendment to make the item read, "For furnishing official postage stamps to an amount not exceeding $50,000, $1,000."

Mr. GARFIELD appealed to the committee either to restore the franking privilege openly and squarely, or else take the exactly opposite course, and let the Post Office Department sell its stamps to all comers at their face value.

After considerable discussion, Mr. Willard's amendment was adopted.

A long discussion occurred in reference to the clerical force of the Treasury Department, Mr. GARFIELD, of Ohio, making an elaborate explanation of the bill in that respect, and Mr. BECK, of Kentucky, arraigning the Administration for extravagance in the conduct of the public business.

Mr. WARD, of Illinois, suggested an amendment providing that no more pay should be given to the male employes than to the female employes for the like service, while Mr. NIBLACK suggested that the female employes should be classified as the other clerks are.

All that was accomplished after a long discussion was the reduction of the salary of the Chief Clerk and seven other principal clerks of the Treasury Department from $3,000 to $2,500.

The committee then, after getting through one page of the bill, rose, and the House, at 5 o'clock, adjourned.

COLOMBIA, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA.

MISCELLANEOUS NOTES FROM PANAMA.

PANAMA, April 2.—On account of the 1st of April being the day when the new President of the Union, Señor Santiago Perez, takes possession of the Presidency, at Bogota, the Consular and other flags were displayed in the city throughout the day. The United States steam-ship Saranac left here on the 20th ult. to convey Capt. Selfridge to Darien on a preliminary visit, and returned on the 30th. Her Britannic Majesty's iron-clad Repulse, carrying the flag of Rear Admiral Cochrane; the Camdeon, Capt. A. J. Kennedy; the Reindeer, Capt. W. R. Kennedy, and the French war steam-ship L'Hermite, are at present at anchor in this harbor.

The London Sun Fire Insurance Company refuses to take any single risk over £4,000 in Panama, in which case adjoining houses will be limited to £2,000. The Pacific Mail Company's steam-ship City of Panama, from New-York, arrived here too late to connect with either the steamer for Central America or the one for South America, and consequently the mails, which are very heavy, will have to remain here eight days.

NOTES FROM CENTRAL AMERICA.

The latest news from Central America goes to show that the several States are in the enjoyment of a degree of peace.

President Guardia had again assumed the Presidency of Costa Rica. A conspiracy, got up with the intention of deposing him, was discovered and suppressed. The meeting of the several Presidents was to take place in Guatemala on the 10th ult.

The coffee crop in Costa Rica was small, but would be made up by the high prices this article was commanding abroad.

NOTES FROM SOUTH AMERICA.

Another attempt at revolution was made at Lima, Peru, on the 16th ult. The scene occurred in the barracks of Santa Catalina, in that city. The plan of the conspirators was to seize the President, and get the other regiments to join in. An agent of the Government discovered the plot an hour before the time for acting. The ringleaders are in irons.

The Ministers of Justice and of Foreign Affairs wished to resign, but President Pardo refused to accept their resignations, as those who opposed the Administration offered no new policy by which matters could be mended.

Admiral Tucker, who was sent out by Col. Prado to explore the Peruvian branches of the Amazon, had finished the work, and was in Lima, expecting to publish the valuable data he has collected during the exploration.

NOTES FROM CHILI.

The most important news brought by the last steamer from Valparaiso relates to the loss of one of the coasting steamers of the P. S. N. Company, called the Tacna, Capt. Hyde. This vessel left Valparaiso on the 13th ult., and when out to sea began to heel over. An attempt was made to throw the deck load overboard, but before anything effectual could be done the steamer upset, and, filling with water, sunk in about five minutes—at 4 o'clock A. M. of the 14th ult. Nineteen persons were lost, all of whom, it is asserted, might have been saved but for a panic which seized the crew, and two men who ran away with the boat. A court of inquiry is engaged in investigating this most unusual accident.

The Bolivian Government has ordered its engineers to mark out the twenty-third parallel as the line of demarcation between Chili and Bolivia without consulting the former Republic.

The Argentine Government has canceled the exequatur of the Chilian Consul at Mendoza on the ground that he has mixed himself up with local disturbances of the peace. Notwithstanding this and the question about the Straits of Magellan, it was thought that all such questions between Chili and Bolivia would be amicably settled.

THE WEST INDIES.

CABLE COMMUNICATION BETWEEN EUROPE AND NEW-YORK RESUMED.

KINGSTON, Jamaica, April 9.—The cable between Santiago de Cuba and Havana having been repaired, direct communication between the West Indies, New-York, and Europe was formally opened this morning.

ARRIVAL OF THE NEW GOVERNOR GENERAL OF JAMAICA.

KINGSTON, Jamaica, April 9.—Sir William Grey, K. C. S. I., has arrived from England, and assumed the administration of the colony, succeeding Sir John Peter Grant in the Governor Generalship of Jamaica and its dependencies.

THE SCHENECTADY METHODIST CONFERENCE.

SCHENECTADY, April 17.—In the Methodist Conference yesterday afternoon the anniversary of the Woman's Foreign Miss'onary Society occurred. An address was delivered by Mrs. Rev. Dr. Hubbard, who made a strong appeal in favor of women devoting themselves and their means for the elevation of their heathen sisters. The address was a very eloquent and impressive one. In the evening the anniversary of the Church Extension Society was celebrated. Addresses were delivered by Rev. D. T. Walker and Chaplain McCabe. The latter was an inmate of Libby Prison during the war. He made a strong appeal for men and money to further the work of the church on the frontier. He said the Methodists are giving daily $13,000 for church building, averaging two churches a day. He expected in the course of a few years the number would be four daily.

This morning's session was devoted to the admission of young men to the conference. The address to them by the Bishop on their duties and responsibilities was instructive and impressive. None of the young men, to the number of twelve, admitted use tobacco.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE OREGON FARMERS' CONVENTION.

CHICAGO, Ill., April 17.—A *Tribune* special from Salem, Oregon, gives the proceedings of the Farmers' State Convention, which met there yesterday morning. T. W. Davenport was nominated for Congress, Thomas F. Campbell, President of Monmouth College, for Governor, and J. H. Doughette, Ex-President of the State Agricultural Society, for Secretary of State. The platform sets forth that there is no hope but in the people to correct the extravagance and corruption prevalent in the State and National Administrations. It asks for the building of the Portland, Dallas and Salt Lake Railroad; the improvement of rivers and harbors; the proper encouragement of transportation companies; that freights and fares be fixed by legislation; for a liberal system of schools; condemns the monopoly in the sale of school books generally, and declares that the Government should pay the losses of settlers by the Modoc war. The *Oregon Statesman* and the *Oregonian* indorse the ticket. T. W. Davenport, the Congressional candidate, is a native of Columbia County, N. Y.

DR. TYNG'S NEW CHURCH.

ITS HISTORY AND DESCRIPTION.

THE GOOD WORK OF THE CONGREGATION—INAUGURAL PROGRAMME FOR THE ENSUING WEEK.

The new Church of the Holy Trinity, on the corner of Madison avenue and Forty-second street, will be opened to the congregation for service to-morrow morning. The opening services are not, however, to be confined to those of to-morrow, but will extend over the whole week, with the exception of Saturday, and will be brought to a termination on Sunday, the 26th inst. The new church, both externally and internally, is one of the finest in the City, and, from a purely architectural standpoint, is an ornament to the flourishing locality in which it is situated. Its exterior measurement is very nearly 154 by 94 feet. It is built of bricks of various colors, which are arranged after the fashion of Mosaic decoration, and of sandstone of three different tints, from the Ohio, Oswego, and New-Brunswick quarries. The tower, which stands on the south-eastern corner of the building, is not yet completed. It contains two belfries, the upper one of which, intended for the chimes, is 34 feet wide and 30 feet deep, and, when finished, will measure 190 feet to the steeple. The style of the architecture is what is known as the Continental Gothic. The leading idea in planning this building seems to have been to reconcile the traditional features of church architecture with such requirements as would render it a suitable place for preaching, and the Pastor, Rev. Stephen H. Tyng, Jr., in communicating to the architect (Mr. Leopold Eidlitz) his views on this subject, intimated his desire that both features should be expressed in the character and architecture of the sacred edifice. This design of combining with the traditional features of a church the elements of a superior lecture-room has been effectively carried out by the architect. The auditorium is in the form of an immense ellipse, having a long diameter of 112 feet and a short one of 82 feet, giving a distance between the foci of 76.29 feet. The pulpit is thus 11.66 feet in front of the chancel arch. The octagonal apse, to the east of the auditorium, is about 35 feet in diameter and 23 feet in depth, and covers the space occupied by the chancel and the communion table and rail. South of the chancel, on Forty-second street, is the vestry-room, and on the north side a square building which projects beyond the apse, and forms the entrance to the stairway leading to the choir. The latter is situated in the transept at right angles with the circumference of the ellipse, opening into the church both above and below the gallery by a handsome open arcade of sandstone columns. In this gallery has been placed the new and elegant organ, which has been built by H. L. Roosevelt, of this City. It also provides ample room for a choir and large chorus. The elliptical wall extends only to the eaves of the building, and the open roof, which is supported by two longitudinal trusses, is easily seen. These trusses are in the exact position the clere-story walls would be placed. This roof is lighted by dormer windows, which are a great architectural success. The ground plan of the building might, in the first instance, suggest the idea of a theatre, in respect to the arrangement of the pews, but the general features of church architecture are so adhered to as to dispel this illusion.

The history of the church is both remarkable and interesting. Early in 1864 Rev. S. H. Tyng, Jr., who was then in charge of the Church of the Mediator, on Lexington avenue, preached for the third time in the chapel of the Rutgers Female College, in Fifth avenue. On the 22d of March of the same year a meeting was held to consider the expediency of organizing a new parish, and on April 4, 1864, the plan took a positive shape, by the formation of the corporation of the "Church of the Holy Trinity." Early in the ensuing month Rev. Stephen H. Tyng, Jr., was called to be the first Rector of the new parish, and a committee was appointed to select a site for a church building, and in June of the same year the lots upon which the new building has just been erected were purchased for $50,000. The rapid increase of the congregation worshiping in the chapel of the Rutgers Institute while the first edifice was being built, compelled the corporation to leave the Unitarian church on Fortieth street, and also enlarge the seating capacity of the new church so as to accommodate more than 1,000 persons. The services in this new church were begun on Easter Sunday, 1865. The cost of this building was $59,000, of which $44,000 was raised by subscription, &c., leaving a balance, in the shape of a mortgage, of $15,000 upon the building. In April, 1872, owing to the large increase in the size of the congregation, the idea was suggested of taking down the original church edifice and erecting a large and more spacious one, and on the 20th of May the plans of the present architect were adopted and a subscription opened for the purpose. Within a short time nearly three-quarters of this amount was subscribed by the congregation without the slightest outside assistance. The excavations for the new foundation were begun in October, 1872, the congregation continuing to occupy the old structure till March, 1873. It was then destroyed, and the services were in a church on Madison avenue and Thirty-ninth street, which was bought out by the vestry. Now, at the expiration of twenty months from the date when the building was commenced, one of the handsomest and most substantial churches in the City will be at the disposal of Rev. Dr. Tyng and his congregation. The Pastor of the new Church of the Holy Trinity was ordained deacon in May, 1861, and assisted his father at St. George's Church until May, 1863, when he was ordained priest, and took charge of the Church of the Mediator, on Lexington avenue. When about a year in charge of that church he was ordained priest, being too young for ordination to the order of priesthood at an earlier period. The corporation of the Church of the Holy Trinity was formed April 4, 1864, and after Dr. Tyng was relieved from the charge of the Church of the Mediator, he gave all his time to the Church of the Holy Trinity, which is now in its tenth anniversary. The missionary work of this church is of the most zealous kind. Within the congregation there are large and well-organized bands of Christian workers, each laboring in its own particular department and sphere of usefulness, but all united in the general missionary work of the church, and under the supervision of the Pastor. The head-quarters of this branch of the work of the church is in the chapel on Forty-third street, where the clergy have their several offices, and transact the business that pertains to the work in which they are severally engaged. Here, also, the discourses of the church are considered by alms and benevolent physicians, minister daily to the suffering and afflicted poor, who throng their offices for treatment, and here the Dorcas and Employment Societies hold their weekly meetings. In the large room, up stairs, is ample accommodation for the parish Sunday-school, as also the large sewing school, which holds its session on each Saturday of the year. Besides these local departments of work, there are connected with and supported by this church, the House of the Evangelists, a home and school of instruction in which Christian young men are educated to perform the duties of evangelists to the neglected classes of our City, the Orphanage, where many children find a quiet and Christian home; five mission chapels in the purlieus of the City, each with its Pastor and Sunday-school; a Reformatory Farm near Sing Sing; and other minor institutions which are organized and worked in accordance with the missionary character of the church. The amount raised and expended in the general missionary work of this parish the past year, exclusive of the current expenses of the church and of the amount paid for the construction of the new building, was almost $30,000. The ecclesiastical position of this church is somewhat of an independent nature, free from the uncertain and vexatious traditions of many of the other parishes in the Protestant Episcopal Church; its pulpit is open to the preaching of every evangelical minister whom the Pastor may invite, provided he simply preach the truth as it is recognised by evangelical Christians in all the churches. The Church of the Holy Trinity is one of the most vigorous exponents of the Low Church sentiment, and consequently it is in deadly antagonism to the dogmas of tradition sacerdotalism, apostolical succession, or whatever might be considered either Ritualistic or High Church in its tendency. With such prestige, and upon such an evangelical basis, does the new Church of the Holy Trinity open its doors to-morrow morning. The following is the programme of services for the week.

Sunday, April 19—10:30 A. M., morning prayer and introductory sermon by Rev. Stephen H. Tyng, Jr., D. D., Rector of the church; 4 P. M., evening prayer and sermon by Rev. W. Neilson McVickar, Rector of Holy Trinity, Harlem; 7:30 P. M., devotional service and sermon by Rev. Stephen H. Tyng, D. D., Rector of St. George's Church, New-York City.

Monday, April 20—3 P. M., devotional service and addresses of fellowship from neighboring Pastors. The following clergymen will take part in the exercises: Rev. W. M. Taylor, D. D., of the Tabernacle Church; Rev. T. S. Hastings, D. D., of the West Presbyterian Church; Rev. W. Ormiston, D. D., of the Collegiate Reformed Church; Rev. W. T. Sabine, of the Church of the Atonement; Rev. C. S. Robinson, D. D., of the Memorial Church; Rev. G. S. Hepworth, of the Church of the Disciples; Rev. W. M. Postlethwaite, of the Church of the Intercession; Rev. R. S. Moarthur, of the Calvary Baptist Church; Rev. G. D. Foss, D. D., of St. Paul's M. E. Church; Rev. M. P. Vincent, D. D., of the Church of the Covenant; Rev. Jas. M. Ludlow, D. D., of the Collegiate Reformed Church.

Tuesday, April 21—8 P. M., the church will be open for inspection. The organist and choir will furnish suitable music.

Wednesday, April 22—8 P. M., evening prayer and sermon by Rev. Thomas A. Jaggar, Rector of the Church of the Holy Trinity, Philadelphia.

Thursday, April 23—8 P. M., the church will be open for inspection. The organist and choir will furnish suitable music.

Friday, April 24—8 P. M., evening prayer and sermon, by Rev. Phillips Brooks, D. D., Rector of Trinity Church, Boston, Mass.

Sunday, April 26—10:30 A. M., morning prayer and tenth anniversary sermon, by Rev. Stephen H. Tyng, Jr., D. D., Rector of the church. Friday, P. M., anniversary of the Sunday-schools of the parish. Sermon by Rev. Richard Newton, D. D., Rector of Church of the Epiphany, Philadelphia, Penn. 7:30 P. M., devotional services and sermon, by Rev. Richard A. Wadhurst, D. D., Rector of Calvary Church, New-York City.

SMALL-POX PATIENTS.

THE CITY'S LIABILITY FOR ERRORS OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH—A CURIOUS CASE.

In April, 1871, Mrs. Bridget Tormey, then residing at No. 34 First street, was reported to the Board of Health as a small-pox patient, and, under direction of the proper officers, was removed to the Small-pox Hospital on the island. Both she and her husband protested that she did not have small-pox, and asked that a private physician be called to examine the case, but this request was refused. Arriving at the island, it was discovered there that she had measles only, and although she begged to be returned to her home, this was refused, the doctors telling her that though she had not small-pox, yet the Board of Health had sent her there as having it, and she must remain. After losing her clothes and money, as she claims, she was walked about half a mile through wet grass to the General Hospital, and sustained otherwise what she terms brutal treatment. On gaining her liberty she brought suit against the City to recover $10,000 damages. Yesterday a demurrer to the complaint, on behalf of the City, was argued before Judge Van Brunt in Supreme Court, special term.

Messrs. D. J. Dean and R. J. Forker, who appeared on behalf the City, argued that the City was not liable for any errors committed in the performance of their duties by its officials in matters from which the City derived no benefit; also, that though the Board of Health was nominally a department of the City, yet it was the creature of special legislation, acts independently of the City authorities, and is so far independent of the City Government as not to make the City liable for its acts.

Mr. George W. Wingate, counsel for the plaintiff, contended that the act under which the removal of his client was caused, provided penalties for the violation of its provisions, which penalties, when collected, went into the City Treasury, and were applied in payment of the City debt, and that the City was interested in checking the spread of epidemics.

In reply, Mr. Dean urged that if there was any force in the preceding argument it meant that the City would be interested in a violation of its ordinances, whereas every one knew it was much more interested in their observation.

Judge Van Brunt reserved his decision.

HOLLY-TREE COFFEE-HOUSE MOVEMENT IN BROOKLYN.

The regular meeting of the Women's Temperance Society of Brooklyn was held yesterday at the church corner of Pierrepont street and Monroe place, Mrs. Elwell, the President, presiding. Mrs. White reported that she had called on Mr. Moses Beach, as requested by the society, in reference to the Holly-tree Coffee-House Fund, asking what should be done to secure the consent of the stockholders to have the Women's Temperance Society take the money and open coffee-houses at once. Mr. Beach thought it necessary only to write to the stockholders and they would consent. Mrs. White and Mrs. Allen were then appointed a committee to wait upon Mr. Beach and request him to make a statement at the public meeting next Tuesday night regarding the fund. A resolution was passed to invite the Excise Commissioners to attend the mass-meeting, and a resolution was also passed assuring the Commissioners that they would be supported in the discharge of their duties. The members of the society then informally considered the best plan of beginning the coffee-houses. The following notice was read at the meeting, after which it adjourned:

A mass-meeting will be held in Rev. Dr. Storrs' church, Tuesday, April 22, at 7:30 o'clock. Rev. John Hall, D. D., Dr. L. Cuyler, Dr. J. Thomas, and Rev. Mr. Lansing will speak. The following gentlemen have consented to serve as Vice Presidents of the meeting: His Honor Mayor John W. Hunter, Eugene D. Beri, A. P. Higgins, Judge G. G. Reynolds, William Richardson, B. E. Hale, G. C. White, St. Clair McKelway, R. L. Wyckoff, D. W. Fish, S. B. Halliday, B. B. Spellman, J. Studwell, F. H. Harrison, D. G. Cartwright, and Augustus Storrs.

THE SPRAGUE TRIAL—A FURTHER POSTPONEMENT.

Ex-City Treasurer Cortlandt A. Sprague, of Brooklyn, with his counsel, Ex-Judge Edwin Moore and Mr. D. P. Barnard, held a consultation with District Attorney Rodman, yesterday morning, in the latter's office in the County Court-house. The object of the visit was to procure a later date than that heretofore agreed upon—the 23d—for Mr. Sprague's trial, a course necessitated by the fact that the professional engagements of Hon. Francis Kernan, who has been recently associated with the counsel for the defense, prevented his being in Brooklyn on the first-mentioned date. It was agreed that the case should not be called on Wednesday, the 22d, but that it should be set down peremptorily for the following Monday, the 28th. Some doubts being expressed by the District Attorney as to Judge Moore's ability to take up the cause on that day, Mr. Barnard remarked to Mr. Rodman: "You may assure the Judge that it will be only necessary to devote an hour to the trial, as by that time we will have brought the case to a point where Sprague can be cut up, and then, of course, the whole thing will sink." Mr. Sprague was looking extremely well, and seemed in the best of spirits. In conversation he stated that he was not aware of having been afflicted to quite the extent that had been reported, although he had suffered extremely, and for two months had been seriously ill. He was rejoiced to get on his feet again, and now that he had done so he meant to stay there. He looked forward to his trial with complacency, and expressed that the expectations of his counsel of a speedy acquittal were well founded, and would be realized.

THE BROOKLYN TAX OFFICE FRAUDS.

It was rumored in Brooklyn yesterday that the experts engaged in examining the accounts of the Tax Office had discovered some fresh frauds of considerable magnitude. The rumor as it passed from mouth to mouth took all sorts of shapes, and, among others, that the evidence of fraud discovered involved men hitherto unsuspected, and that steps would at once be taken to cause their arrest. The officials, when questioned, were reticent, and from the members of the Board of Audit no positive information could be gained. It appears, however, that Mr. Seaman, the Tax Office expert, has developed a new phase of the frauds committed in that department, in which many prominent men are said to be involved. Up to the present time there has been found a system of erasures, of alterations in figures, of somebody apparently pocketing part of the money which the tax-payer supposed he was turning into the City Treasury. Now it is seen that a bold and wholesale plan has been at the same time followed; that for years the default and interest which had accumulated upon the unpaid bills of certain favored individuals cannot be accounted for. The sums found to be missing are said to have disappeared during the administrations of Ex-Collectors Badeau and Briggs.

CITY AND COUNTY TREASURY.

Controller Green reports the following disbursements and receipts of the Treasury yesterday: Claims paid, number of warrants 64, amounting to $41,970 48; pay-rolls paid, number of warrants 6, amounting to $39,030 63; total, $81,021 11. Receipts—From taxes of 1873 and interest, $6,382 20; arrears of taxes, assessments, and interest, $9,196 98; collection of assessments and interest, $4,776 67; market rents, $173; water rents, $1,309 60; licenses, Mayor's Office, $66 50; fees and fines, District Courts, $27 50; total, $21,922 75.

POLICE MATTERS.

At the meeting of the Board of Police yesterday the proposition of Mr. Robert C. Brown to clean all the paved and macadamized streets, and remove the ashes and garbage, in the Twelfth, Twenty-third, and Twenty-fourth Wards, for $2,000 per month was accepted, and the Chief Clerk was instructed to draw up the necessary papers for the signature of the contracting parties. The services of George A. Lambrecht, telegraph operator at Police Central Office, were dispensed with, and Ex-Capt. Joseph H. Petty was appointed in his place, at a salary of $800 per annum.

THE CRUGER WILL CASE.

The case of the contested will of Mrs. Harriet Douglass Cruger was continued, yesterday, before Surrogate Hutchings. The only witness examined was Mrs. Jane Darling. She was the attendant of the decedant, and testified to the infirm condition of her mistress for a year before her death. She was very violent in her manner, witness said, and during the night screamed continually, and called on her dead friends as if they were living. The further hearing of the case was adjourned to Monday week.

THE WILL OF FLOYD SMITH.

The will of Floyd Smith, of the Manhattan Gas-light Company, was admitted to probate yesterday by Surrogate Hutchings. The testator leaves all his property, real and personal, in equal portions to this children—Catharine A., wife of Rev. Dr. Amos B. Beach; Juliet Emma, wife of Rev. Dr. Pierre T. Babbit; Elmira, wife of Charles D. Guidall; Angelica B., wife of George Shea; Matilda C., wife of Frank W. Brooks; Alice F., wife of Granville A. Mendes; Floyd Smith, Jr., and A. Cushman Smith. The document was executed June 10, 1869.

WILL OF ELIZABETH SANDS.

The will of Elizabeth Sands, executed Feb. 11, last, was admitted to probate yesterday by Surrogate Hutchings. Among the bequests left by the testatrix, the principal was that to James McLoughlin, an employe in her drug store, corner of Tenth street and Avenue C. She gave him the stock of the store and a black horse named "Phil," with $25 a month for the horse's support as long as he lives. She leaves also to her boarding-house keeper, Miss Ann W. Swift, $200. The bulk of the property is left to Florence Disbrow, the niece of the testatrix.

MARITAL INFELICITY.

THE TEMPLETON SHOOTING CASE.

DUNCAN D. TEMPLETON FOUND GUILTY OF ASSAULT WITH INTENT TO KILL—SENTENCE POSTPONED.

The trial of Duncan D. Templeton, son of Col. Templeton, of Nyack, N. Y., charged with shooting his wife, Ida Maude Templeton, on the 15th of November, was resumed before Recorder Hackett yesterday, in the Court of General Sessions. The friends of the prisoner were present in large numbers, and, as on the preceding days of the trial, appeared to be deeply interested in the proceedings. The prosecution was conducted by District Attorney Rollins, and the defense by Mr. John R. Townsend. The prisoner seemed anything but indifferent to the proceedings in which he played so prominent a part, and manifested a decided interest in the testimony, especially of those witnesses whose evidence was calculated to damage the defense set up.

Mr. Townsend, counsel for the defense, offered in evidence a letter from Mrs. Templeton to Mrs. Thayer to show that the prisoner was extremely jealous, and as tending to confirm the statement of Officer Gallagher that Mrs. Templeton told her husband that her pretty face would get her more money than he could give her. The letter was excluded. Edward Pearson, a farmer, who knew the prisoner for seven or eight years, described him as a nervous, wild fellow, full of foolish schemes, which he would forget next day, and, in opinion of witness, a crack-brained fellow generally, to whose conversation he had never paid much attention.

Officer John Butcher, of the Sixteenth Precinct, who guarded Templeton on the night of the shooting, testified that from 6 to 12 o'clock he sat outside the prisoner's cell door, in consequence of instructions received from the Captain. The prisoner kept talking to himself in an incoherent manner. Heard the prisoner say, "My God, what have I done? You know I would not hurt you." He complained bitterly of the cold, buttoned up his coat-collar, and begged witness to put more coals on the fire. The stove was red-hot, and perspiration was rolling off his face. Prisoner would repeat, "You know, my darling, I would not hurt you." He then got on his knees, and appeared to be praying. Prisoner then commenced to cry, and subsequently appeared to be addressing his child, saying that he would not hurt its mother. Prisoner continued to pray, dance, and talk incoherently during the night, and did not appear to know that witness was a police officer. Templeton attempted to beat his head against the cell-door on several occasions, calling out that he was going to do so, and was prevented by witness from doing himself harm. The prisoner did not recognize witness next morning as the officer who had been guarding him the previous night.

In cross-examination witness stated that he could not say whether the prisoner was feigning insanity or not.

This closed the testimony for the defense, with the exception of the medical testimony, which was reserved until a later period.

District Attorney Rollins, in rebuttal on the part of the prosecution, then called Mrs. Margaret C. Post, of No. 25 Beekman place, who testified that she had known Templeton since 1866, at White Plains. The prisoner called at her house a few nights before the shooting; he told her the story of his wife's abandonment and showed her a letter written by him to his wife, which had been returned to him; on the back of the letter Mrs. Templeton had written an answer, denying the prisoner of cruelty and infidelity; witness told him that if these statements of Mrs. Templeton were true, she could procure a divorce; witness replied that if his wife did not live with him he would shoot her, and on being reminded of the consequences, replied, oh, no, he would not be held responsible for his actions, as he was crazy, and had been so since his wife had left him. The prisoner accused his mother-in-law, Mrs. Babcock, of being a disreputable woman, and alluded to the ridiculous manner in which she was accustomed to dress. He said that he believed his wife had been induced by her mother to commit certain acts, and suspected that she was then living in a disreputable house in New-York; but, when interrogated as to her morals, said he believed she was a pure as an angel.

Gen. Thomas W. Conway, son-in-law of the last witness, said that the prisoner had told him three or four days before the shooting, that if he and his wife were to live apart, one or the other would die. In his interview with witness Templeton had used threats toward his wife when speaking of her separation from him. He had always conversed rationally, and conducted himself as a gentleman when speaking to witness, except when alluding to his mother-in-law, of whom he did not speak in complimentary terms.

John L. Oldfield swore that he had seen the prisoner on the Thursday previous to the shooting. He spoke of the separation from his wife, and said that he could not live apart from her. He did not appear to him, prisoner said, something terrible would occur, as he would have his wife or die.

Mrs. Templeton was recalled, and asked by District Attorney Rollins whether she had said to Templeton, immediately before the shooting, that her pretty face would get her more money than he could give her, as testified by Officer Gallagher. The question was excluded by the Recorder, who stated that the purity of Mrs. Templeton's character had not been questioned by the defense. Mrs. Templeton stated that when the prisoner threatened her with serious consequences if she left him, and was reminded of the results, he said that his father's money would help him; that he could plead insanity, and that anybody could get out of the New-York courts. She left on account of her separation from her husband were persistent abuse, neglect to support, and intoxication. He had on several occasions slapped her on the face when she asked him for money, and on one occasion herself and baby went without food for half a day and night, until she had purchased those necessaries with money sent her by her mother. Witness had tried everything with her husband that a wife could, and had clung to him through poverty without murmuring. Her husband had ill-treated her two nights before she left him.

Sergt. Cass, of the Sixteenth Precinct, detailed what took place in the station-house on the day of the shooting. The question of District Attorney Rollins as to whether Gallagher had related in the station-house the expression of Mrs. Templeton about her pretty face, as sworn to by the officer, was excluded by the court. Sergt. Larney was called, but was not examined.

This closed the rebutting testimony for the pros

BROOKLYN ORPHAN ASYLUM.

EXPOSURE OF "RING" FRAUDS.

THE SOCIETY ON THE VERGE OF BANKRUPTCY.—STEALINGS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS—STARTLING ARRAY OF FACTS AND FIGURES.—TOTAL DEBT OF THE INSTITUTION, $184,169 65.

On Easter Sunday collections were taken up in all the Roman Catholic Churches of Brooklyn in behalf of the Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum Society, which had appealed to the public for aid on the Sunday previous. In the course of his sermon in the cathedral on Palm Sunday, Bishop Loughlin, who has been known for years to have condemned, in common with a large number of Roman Catholics, the manner in which the affairs of the Orphan Asylum Society have been managed, took occasion to give expression to his views on the subject, and called attention to the deplorable condition in which the accounts of the institution were kept. This public action of the Bishop is easily explained when it is stated that the society is on the verge of bankruptcy, being liable for over $120,000, with no perceptible means of payment. By reason of these liabilities the property of the society can be at any moment seized, and a thousand helpless orphans turned homeless on the streets. It is in order to avert, if possible, so dreadful a calamity as this that the Bishop has taken such decided action, and invoked the aid of his coreligionists in the matter.

ESTABLISHMENT OF THE SOCIETY.

The charter for the first Roman Catholic Asylum, which was granted in 1834, provided for the establishment of the Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum Society, the directors of which, elected annually, were to be under the direction of the Bishop. The society prospered until the close of the rebellion, when it was found necessary to build a new male asylum, and for that purpose a tract of land was purchased between Albany and Troy avenues, at a cost of $35,000. The cost of the new buildings was estimated at $150,000, and it was expected that they would be finished within a year. Twenty-five thousand persons assisted at the laying of the corner-stone, and a large collection was taken up.

ANOTHER NEW COURT-HOUSE JOB.

An investigation into the affairs of this building job discloses a system of mismanagement, if not of robbery, comparable only to the infamous new Court-house job which formed the basis of all the stealing brought home to the Tweed Ring. A certain clique, comprising a small minority of the members, assumed control of the society, and year after year their names appear in the lists of officers and Directors, with very little change in the order. The Emerald Association, the Emerald Club, the Catholic Library Association, (since defunct,) the Mechanics' Exchange, and various other organizations were formed, all meeting in the same place, all officered by the same men as the Orphan Asylum Society, and all working together. Conspicuous among the names which appear every year as officers are those of Thomas Carrol, Francis Curran, Francis Turner, Thomas Kelly, Edward Rorke, E. O'Keefe, John F. Hennessy, and half a dozen more. Chauncey Felt furnished the coal; Roberts & Collins, of Water street, the flour; J. H. Braun, of Washington Market, the produce, and Rossequie, of Kent avenue, Brooklyn, the lumber, which have been used in the asylums during the period mentioned. Except in 1869, Rorke never deigned to make his accounts known before the end of the year.

The honest members of the society strove to break up the ring, but found themselves overruled. The elections were carried by the aid of the outside organizations, and their opponents possessed the Bishop's ear so completely that complaints were useless. The building of the new asylum was given out by days' work. "Bill" Turner, a brother of Francis, was appointed Superintendent at an annual salary, and all the aged, indigent, and lazy relatives, and constituents of the ring were saddled upon the new institution in one capacity or another.

HOW THE MONEY WENT.

The funds disappeared rapidly, and mortgage after mortgage was raised on the unfinished edifice until they amounted to $60,000. This state of affairs continued until the Spring of 1869, when the friends of reform, by a liberal use of the ring tactics, turned the tables, and carried the election. Up to this time, although a year had elapsed, only the left wing of the building had been raised to the third story, and it was resolved not to build a fourth story. The remainder of the work was then let out by contract to the lowest bidder. The left wing being roofed, the orphans were removed thither, the Bishop detailing the Sisters of St. Joseph to take charge of them. All this had not been accomplished without a struggle. The ring fought bitterly for their lost prerogatives, and threw all possible obstacles in the way of the reform directors' plans. In the following year the ring again assumed, and still hold, office. They at once resumed their old tricks, and devised the method of allowances for "extra work." The expenditures for this "extra work" have been twice or three times in excess of the amounts of the contracts. Such, briefly, are the causes which have led to the present impending disaster. They are more fully set forth in extracts from the annual reports of the society given below, which the writer had the utmost difficulty in obtaining. The officers of the society claimed that no copies of them were in their possession or in that of the association. None of the Roman Catholic papers could supply them. It was learned at the offices that the meetings of the society are private, and that the Secretary usually sends round a report of the election, written by himself, which the editors publish without question. Finally, the Secretary of State was applied to, but he returned answer that none of the reports were on file in his office.

THE OFFICIAL FIGURES.

The annual statement issued in 1865 begins by announcing that the Directory, on assuming office, found the society "in a very flourishing condition." In 1864, the total receipts were $39,067 62, and the total expenses, $37,688 61, leaving a balance on hand of $1,379 01 above all liabilities. This was the year in which the new asylum was commenced, but it does not appear from the report issued in that year what amount of money, if any, was expended for the work done. Except the items of maintenance of the male and female asylums, ($16,548 26 and $18,864 07, respectively,) no details are given. As, however, there is a balance of $2,276 28 otherwise unaccounted for, it is fair to presume that this was the sum which the "excavation of a portion of the grounds" mentioned in the succeeding report cost. The report of 1866 states that on the 5th of November, 1865, the corner-stone of the new building was laid, and that during the year the foundation, cellar, and basement walls had been built and two tiers of beams laid. The cost is not given, but there was paid "on account of building new asylum" $21,396 41. The receipts from all sources in 1865 were $60,792 57, and the cost of maintaining both asylums $39,724 23, leaving an apparent deficit of $398 07. None of the details are to hand for this year, either. It may be well to notice in passing that the cost for maintenance increased nearly $8 per capita over 1864. In the latter year it averaged a fraction over $51 62, while in 1865 it was a little over $57 25, making an aggregate increase of over $4,000. This is remarkable, because the close of the war in 1865 sent prices of provisions, which were at their highest in 1864, down to a reasonable level, and the cost of maintenance per capita should have been very much less. The association maintained 208 boys and 478 girls in 1864, and 208 boys and 487 girls in 1865.

TAKING A FRESH START.

On March 20, 1866, the ground of the old asylum was sold at public auction for $15,563 47, and at the beginning of the year a loan of $10,000 was effected from a Mr. Eitele on bond and mortgage. The total receipts, according to the report of 1867, amounted to $69,636 94, and the total expenditures to $61,211 74. Of this, $21,317 22 was spent on the new asylum. The Treasurer furnishes the following items:

P. Casey, contractor	$2,529 09
Creighton & Ward, brown stone	3,444 25
Lumber, framing, &c	1,392 12
Masons and laborers	9,612 13
Brick, lime, and cement	2,684 89
Blue stone	1,362 50
Water, sewer, hose, &c	935 52
T. E. Keely, architect	200 00
Builders, horses, tools, &c	127 25
Sundries	88 87

Again the cost of maintenance was increased over the previous year—this time by $3 per capita. The figures are: Maintenance, $39,894 52; female, $21,479 09; male, $16,598 35; girls, 507; boys, 202. Average per head—Male, $80 52; female, $40 50. In the report for 1867, (issued in 1868,) no mention whatever is made of receipts, except an allusion to the handsome balance on hand at the beginning of the year, which should be $2,495 20. The expenditures were $62,289 55. The orphans consisted of 213 boys and 510 girls. The average cost per head was: Boys, $80 13; girls, $47 97. This was a still further increase of $4 per head over 1866, of $7 per head over 1865, and of $13 per head over 1864. In 1868 a mortgage of $35,000 was raised by the society on the building from the Emigrant Savings Bank of New-York. Including this, the total receipts amounted to $34,678 46. Mr. Eitele's mortgage of $10,000 was paid off, leaving $24,678 46. The other details of expenditures given in the Treasurer's report are as follows:

Bills audited, not paid	$16,804 41
Bills not audited, estimated at	10,000 00
Unpaid total	$26,804 41
Building account	32,553 05
All including maintenances	74,922 98
Balance in hands of Treasurer	55 48

SUSPICIOUS CIRCUMSTANCES.

It is noticeable that "the items" of maintenance are suspiciously slurred over for the first time. It is, therefore, impossible to arrive at any correct data as to whether there was a still further increase in the per capita cost or not. The aggregate expense can be readily ascertained by subtracting the total paid for building, &c., from the "whole, including maintenance." It is $42,069 03, or $2,154 51 more than the total of the previous year, when there were 709 children in the asylums.

There seems to have been a dispute over the figures in making up the report of 1869, the Secretary and Treasurer (Rorke) disagreeing as to the amount expended, the decrepancy amounting to over $17,000. It is uncertain whether or not any report was issued. This was the year in which it appears that Francis Curran was awarded the contract to finish the mason work of one wing at $12,985. Francis Turner bid for the carpenter work at $13,495, and John King at $12,850. The contract was awarded to King. Roger Gulligan bid for the plastering $3,154, but afterward demanded $600 additional, and the contract was given to Patrick Doyle at $3,400. On July 27, 1869, the society got an additional $35,000 from the Emigrant Savings Bank on bond and mortgage, making $60,000 in all on the new asylum.

WHERE THE EXTRA WORK BEGAN.

The report for 1870 sets forth that on taking office the Directors found unpaid bills to the amount of $6,439 77. The receipts for that year footed up $63,806 63, and the expenses were $63,337 13. This leaves a deficit of $10,530 56, supposing the unpaid bills of the previous year to have been settled. The report promises that the greater portion of this indebtedness will be liquidated by an appropriation voted by the State Assembly, ($10,000,) and by the association's share of the charity bill of 1870, ($6,432 75.) It adds that the $22,768 for building was used in "building up and covering in the unfinished wing of the new Male Asylum." In the report for 1871 the Directors make the unpaid bills at the beginning of the year $19,339, which is $260 56 less than a calculation based on their own figures comes to. For instance: Expenses, 1870, $63,337 19; receipts, 1870, $63,806 63; difference, $469 56. The receipts for 1871 were $71,823 60, and the expenses, $69,013 09. If these figures are correct there should be a balance in the treasury of $3,432 51. On the other hand the report of 1872 says that "the present Board of Managers, after a careful and thorough examination of the financial condition of the society, found the indebtedness of the society on March 25, 1872, to be $109,400 11." The receipts, including the charity bill, and the special State appropriation mentioned in the report of 1870, were $64,751 90, and $1,300 credited to the Emerald Association, but not footed up in the total. The expenses aggregated $64,716 49, leaving a balance on hand of $57 41, and bills still unpaid to the amount of $30,000, which, taken together with the mortgage, makes a total of $90,000 still owed by the society.

RECAPITULATION.

1864-5	$2,276 28	1869-70	$980 58
1865-6	21,396 41	1870-7	23,323 00
1866-7	21,317 22	1871-2	18,922 32
1867-8	35,902 98	1872-3	10,360 72
1868-9	32,553 05		
Total			$176,038 46
Interest, (so far as reported)			8,400 00
Note to Long Island Bank, (not included in Building Account)			4,000 00
Unpaid bills			30,000 00
Cost of ground			35,000 00
Grand total			$253,438 46
Original estimated cost of ground, building, &c., less estimated cost of fourth story			125,000 00
Excess			$128,438 46

It will be noticed that the "large sums" collected during previous years are nowhere accounted for. In his search for figures the writer vainly attempted to obtain possession of the books of the society, and was compelled to lay his plans and work them out in secret. After he had succeeded in securing the Secretary's record he could make neither head nor tail of its contents, and when he returned it to its place in the society's safe he was but little wiser than before he began to peruse it. In his search for information he found some specimens of the method of book-keeping adopted by the Brooklyn Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum Society, which entirely prove the truth of the charges set forth in this article. The figures and dates of payment of the various items in Curran, King, Doyle, O'Keefe, Blake, Kelly, and others of the "Ring," retaken from the books of the society, are in the possession of THE TIMES, but cannot be printed for want of space. They can, however, be produced at any moment, should the truth of the charges be questioned. It is sufficient to state that the expenditures from 1868 to 1873 appear, from the society's minutes, to amount to only $72,420 43, while in the annual reports for the same period they are made to aggregate $160,525 87, making a difference of $92,005 14. In regard to "extra work," the figures show that while the expenditures under the contracts of 1869 only amounted to $37,046 22, the sum of $55,544 82 was paid for "extra work," although a visit to the institution failed to show that a single day's extra work had been performed, or that the architect's original plans had been departed from. Indeed, the truth is that the building and its surroundings, as at present seen, do not come up to the intentions of the original projectors. Mother Baptista states that the building is in bad repair and the roof leaky, and, although the Directors have been notified of these facts, they have not condescended to visit the institution during the past year.

WHAT THE REPORT MEANS.

To the casual glance which most Catholics bestowed upon it, the report read last Sunday would make it appear that a debt of $40,969 65 is due, and that this is the subject of small alarm to the managers. A little analysis, however, based upon the other facts, shows that things have grown enormously worse during the past year. In the first place, the Secretary makes a point of the large number of admissions into the asylum during the year. He says nothing about the extraordinary number of discharges. A very simple sum in subtraction will give a total increase of only thirty-three in the number of orphans, just about the average since 1864. The floating debt—"bills audited and unpaid"—has been increased during the year from $30,000 to $40,169 65, an increase of $10,169 65, or about fifty per cent. Among the expenditures is $11,468 41, "on account of building and repairs." This sum, together with the mortgage, interest, and the increase of floating debt, added to the total expenditure up to 1873, gives the total amount paid for building the new Male Asylum, up to date, as $288,276 55, the original estimate being $125,000.

They also increased the amount paid for "extra work" since 1869 by $86,182 91. It will thus be seen that while the legitimate expenses for completing the building since 1869 amount to only $37,046 22, the "extra work" dodge has rolled up $86,182 91, or a great deal more than twice as much. And the building is not yet finished. The story about the "financial crisis, which has reduced the income during the past year $11,000," is apparently a deliberate misstatement. Taking away the special State appropriation passed in 1871 and received in 1872, ($10,000,) and the State Charity bill, ($6,432 75,) the other, or regular, income of the society has increased $13,424 21. The promise that the funds heretofore used for building purposes, will hereafter be applied exclusively to the support of the children and the absorption of the society's indebtedness seems a little premature in face of the fact that the asylum is by no means finished.

The total debt of the society now stands thus:

Mortgage Male Asylum	$60,000 00
Mortgage Female Asylum	75,000 00
Floating debt	49,169 65
Total	$184,169 65

A MODEL CONTRACTOR.

Curran's contract specified that he was to be permitted to use the trimmed stone already on the ground, and that in case there should not be enough of it, he was to furnish whatever more would be necessary. In the meantime the fourth story was obliterated from the original plan, and a quantity of stone was left over—some say as much as 3,000 loads. Curran began to cart it away to the corner of Brooklyn avenue and St. Mark's place, where he used it in the construction of two handsome private residences. Sister Baptista protested, but Curran paid no heed, and she complained to the society. The Board of Directors took action, and passed a resolution to the effect that Curran had no right to the stone. The Bishop, when appealed to, ordered Sister Baptista to allow Curran to take the stone, thus overriding the authority of the Board of Directors. Yet, when the writer questioned him in regard to these charges against the society, he angrily refused to say a word on the subject. This stone cost the society ten shillings per load. A hundred loads of sand remaining after the completion of the mason work were also seized upon by Curran, but he was subsequently compelled to allow $40 for them out of his bill. Curran superintended the building before the time of the contracts as one of the Building Committee. It is also alleged that Curran's bill for grading the asylum yard was five cents per foot more than his contract called for.

THE MAINTENANCE QUESTION.

In regard to the cost of maintenance, the members of the Society plead their poverty as an excuse for paying exorbitant prices for provisions. They say that they are compelled to ask for long credit, and must expect to pay interest. This branch of the management is in the hands of a supply committee, consisting of three members, who are authorized to buy everything except clothing. Sister Constantia, the Superioress of the Female Asylum, erected the handsome edifice over which she presides entirely by her own exertions. Not one cent has she received toward it until this Winter, when the society paid a portion of the interest on her mortgage of $75,000. She has also clothed the children out of the proceeds of her House of Industry. The only expense the society has been at in maintaining the female orphans has been the cost of provisions.

THE SOCIETY'S ASSETS.

An officer of the Orphan Society assured the writer that in the last "Finance Committee" were two men who can neither read nor write. "The society's accounts," said Sister Baptista, "are never correct." The assets of the society are as follows:

Male Orphan Asylum (Albany avenue and St. Mark's place) estimated worth	$100,000
Industrial School, Congress and Clinton streets	10,000
Female Orphan Asylum (Willoughby avenue, between Yates and Lewis)	100,000
House, No. 214 Jay street	4,000
Hickey Estate (Rockaway and Madison, New-York)	15,000
Total	$229,000

The State support has been withdrawn, and several other sources of revenue upon which the society depended have been cut off. Peake, Opdyke & Co., of this City, have recovered a judgment against them of over $3,000, and several other suits for money overdue are pending. So poor are they that the Bishop was compelled to purchase Winter clothing for the male orphans last Fall out of his own means. In the face of all this the King are now making a last effort to secure perpetual power over the future funds should the generous public extricate the orphans from their difficulties.

AN INVESTIGATION CALLED FOR.

That an investigation is needed is fully proved by the facts and figures presented here, and that Bishop Loughlin is of this opinion is evident from the fact of his retaining and disposing of all the funds which now accrue to the society. As Sister Baptista expressed it, "I would not like to impugn the honesty of any of those gentlemen, but I can not understand why they are at such pains—even using dishonest means—to obtain control of an institution like this if they be honest; it cannot but be a burden. I think, to say the least, that the resources of the society could be much better managed." Conversation with a large number of the most intelligent and influential Roman Catholics of Brooklyn also disclosed the fact that a full investigation into the affairs of the Orphan Asylum Society is looked upon by them as due to the public.

PRISON WHISKY.

THE STORY OF THE STILL IN SING SING PRISON.

The Poughkeepsie *Eagle* tells the following story in relation to the alleged running of a whisky still in Sing Sing Prison, rumors of the existence of which have before appeared in print:

"The distiller was a convict named John Short. In 1867 he was convicted in Richmond County of receiving stolen goods, and sentenced to eight years' imprisonment. His term being lessened by good behavior, he was discharged on the 24th of March last. He says that after he got to Sing Sing he behaved so well that he was put to work under one of the hall keepers, and employed in cleaning up rooms, &c. Perceiving that there was a chance to make money, he smuggled in such articles as sugar, coffee, teas, tobacco, cigars, &c, and made large profits upon them. For a long time he had heard the convicts lamenting that they could not obtain any liquor, although they were willing to pay any price for a drink. Then this man Short obtained all the materials for a still, being aided by a convict and a keeper. He procured barley from bags brought to the dock on a steam-boat, came with a manufacturer of the whisky, selling it to the convicts. He ran the still night and day, selling seventeen quarts a day, getting $16 a gallon for it. He said the keeper who was in with him, but whose name he would not disclose, made piles of money, in fact, that he was able to build a four-story house with the profits. This still was started under the administration of Warden Nelson. When Short left the prison he said he took $6,443 with him, all made out of the whisky trade. As fast as he sold the whisky he sent his share of the money to a friend in Sing Sing. A large part of it, however, he sewed up in the lining of his undershirt, which was his own property. He paid to the keeper and the men who helped sell the whisky about as much less than he got himself. The first year after he started he sold $30 worth per day. Short concluded his information on the subject as follows:

"There was no difficulty in getting all the barley I wanted, as large quantities are sent in the winter, and the steamers brings up numerous boatfuls every week. It was easy to slip up when nobody was looking, rip a hole in a bag of barley, and fill the pails in a few minutes. Nobody thought of looking to see what was in the pails, so there was no trouble in carrying the barley into the store-room. I used two large tubs belonging to the prison to make mash in. They were wash-tubs. Sometimes I sat up all night making whisky. Next morning I was weak and felt bad. The doctor couldn't find out what was the matter, but I guess my constitution was delicate, and ordered out door exercise. Of course I knew what the trouble was; but it helped me, as it gave me the privilege of the grounds, and I could get all the barley I wanted. I tell you, sir, the whisky I made was the very best quality. No man could take two glasses of it without water. Sometimes the convicts would get drunk, and then they were locked up in the dark cells. They never would tell where the whisky came from, but told the warden they found it in a bottle behind a barrel, or gave some other excuse. All the boys were in there; never was such a time as me in prison, and when I left they all declared that there never would be another Jim Short at Sing Sing. (Here Mr. Short smiled complacently.) On the 24th of March last month I was discharged. Four or five days before, I quit the business and sold the still to another convict, who is now making whisky in the prison. I got $100 for the still, and told him where he could get another still made in case that was discovered and taken away. I ain't going to tell his name, for he is a pretty sharp fellow, and one of the keepers is in with him, so it would not be fair to tell. He has got a good chance to make a pile of money, and as he has to stay at Sing Sing for several years more, he ought to make $20,000 clear by the time he is discharged. I can't give you the names of the keepers. Short continued, because if I ever go back to Sing Sing I want to be treated well. If I was to tell on them, and go back, they would be down on me!"

THE NEW AUSTRIAN MINISTER TO WASHINGTON.

The Austrian correspondent of the London *Times* writes from Vienna, under date of March 25: "The official *Wiener Zeitung* of Sunday last publishes a number of diplomatic appointments which have excited more interest than those appointments usually do. The first and most important in the list is that of Count Frantz Zichy as Ambassador Extraordinary to Constantinople; next comes Baron Schwartz-Senborn, Director General of the late Vienna Exhibition, who is appointed Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary to Washington. Baron Calice is appointed Diplomatic Agent and Consul General at Bucharest, his place as Minister Resident in China, Japan, and Siam being taken by Count Chotek, who has filled so long and well the post of Austrian Consul General in London, while the latter post is to be temporarily occupied by Baron Schredner, late Diplomatic Agent and Consul General in Egypt. As regards the latter appointment, the meaning of the short and obvious remark that there is but little room left for comment and speculation. Relentless as were the attacks directed against the Director General of the late Vienna Exhibition while he held that office, no one grudges to Baron Schwartz this official recognition of the diligence and energy displayed by him in that great undertaking, while the choice of the man who has acted as the Chief Commissioner for Austria at the Paris and London Exhibitions as man considering the Philadelphia Exhibition, be called a happy one. It must be called an advantage rather than a drawback that the career of Baron Schwartz has hitherto lain in the consular, and not in the diplomatic sphere. Distant as we are from the United States, and out of touch almost of each other, it would require an unusual amount of energy on both sides to get up any political and diplomatic complication. But if there is but a small field for the political activity of our representative in Washington, he may do good service as being instrumental in furthering the commercial relations between the two countries, which at present but nominally exist. When, as with us, individual initiative in such matters is so small, the want of this must be up to a certain point supplied by the organs of the Government accredited abroad. They must take the trouble to study the economical and commercial movements of the country to which they are accredited, pointing out obstacles or mistakes if such exist, and drawing attention to any new field which may open out for enterprise, and the long experience of Baron Schwartz in Paris may be of considerable value here."

THE CZAR IN ENGLAND.

His Imperial Majesty the Czar of Russia is expected to visit her Majesty the Queen, at Windsor Castle, in the first week of next month. During the Queen's absence in the Isle of Wight the employes in the Lord Chamberlain's department, under the supervision of Mr. W. Seabrook, her Majesty's Inspector of Palaces, are engaged in preparing the State apartments which overlook the North terrace for the Emperor's reception. The suite of rooms selected will be nearly similar to the apartments used by their Imperial Majesties the Emperor and Empress of the French on their visit to the Queen at Windsor Castle in April, 1855, and will include the Vandyke Room or old Ball-room, the Zucharelli-room or Queen's State Drawing-room, and the Council Chamber (which was used as the bedroom of the Emperor and Empress of the French.) The Audience Chamber and the Presence Chamber will be reserved for the use of the Emperor's suite, and apartments for the latter will also be provided in the Round Tower or Castle Keep. The State apartments are now closed to the public, and in consequence of the preparations within them for the reception of the Emperor of Russia will remain closed till after the imperial visit to the Queen.

THE INDEBTEDNESS OF VIRGINIA.

The Richmond (Va.) *Whig* of April 10 says: "We are gratified to note that the Conservative press of the State, without an exception, we believe, and we exchange with all, not only protest against any legislation that may so much as squint at repudiation, but they advocate such a tax as will at least insure the payment of four per cent. upon the public debt. We doubt not but that the press truly reflects the sentiment of an overwhelming majority of the tax-payers in every county in the State. Representatives may differ with us, and doubtless many of them do, as to the sentiments of their constituents upon this subject. We admit they have more certain means of information, and should be better posted; nevertheless, we will wager a mite that any man who may contribute by his vote to fix the stigma of repudiation upon the State if he is not repudiated outright by his people, will at least find a rough road to travel in the future."

IRON INTERESTS OF OHIO.

HISTORY OF THE TRADE—STATISTICS OF PRODUCTION.

From Our Own Correspondent.

COLUMBUS, Ohio, Sunday, April 12, 1874.

With possibly one or two exceptions, the same report comes from all iron-producing sections in the United States, viz.: "Market flat and nothing doing; production largely in excess of the demand; no profit at present." And this state of things is not to be wondered at when we reflect that the first branch of industry that was crippled last Fall was the iron trade, and now it is the last to revive. For a year or two prior to the panic the furnace men were reaping golden harvests, which very naturally excited the jealousy of other capitalists, who were induced to form companies and put up new furnaces throughout the country. As a consequence, the production suddenly became largely in excess of the demand, and with an enormous stock on hand the manufacturers were at the mercy of the buyers when the panic caught them. Between these two fires, many furnaces were compelled to "blow out," "bank up," or run their smallest capacity, the latter being resorted to by a large number of furnace men at this time.

Before proceeding further, perhaps it would be well to see what relation the State of Ohio bears to other iron-producing states of the country. By reference to official documents, I find that Pennsylvania takes the lead, Ohio ranks second, and New-York third. Pennsylvania has 261 completed stacks, of which 18 were finished in 1872, 14 in 1873, and 32 were built or projected in 1873. Ohio, which ranks second, contains 86 completed stacks, of which 6 were finished in 1872, 3 in 1873, and 17 projected or in course of erection in 1873. The estimated annual capacity of the completed furnaces in Ohio, in tons of 2,000 pounds, is put at 735,237 tons, while that of New-York is 27,800 tons.

FIRST IRON WORKS IN OHIO.

In searching for some account of the first iron works in this State, the earliest record I find is to the effect that in 1816 the Dillon Brothers, of Johnstown, Pennsylvania, emigrated to Ohio, and built a small charcoal furnace about twenty-five or thirty miles east of Columbus, near the site of the now thriving town of Newark. The progress made by these pioneers was slow and tedious; their method of forging rods and bars of iron was by the old and primitive trip-hammer, using horses for motive power. These rods and bars were then cut up into suitable lengths, and peddled through the country. Of these early iron works nothing now remains but the foundations of the forges. In the same year, (1816,) among the early settlers of Adams County were a party who commenced the manufacture of iron in Jacksonville, much after the same style as the Dillon Brothers. In after years, as the State became more settled, the iron trade began to grow, and the demand from the middle and northern parts of the State induced Daniel Young, John Campbell, and Thomas Means, who were controlling nearly all the iron trade in Jackson, Lawrence, and Vinton Counties, (and who are now heads of rich and powerful families,) to extend their business, and these parties may be considered the actual founders of the iron trade in the interior of the lakes. Up till 1855 all the furnaces built consumed charcoal, and as the entire State was heavily timbered it was not difficult to procure the wood. In 1855 the first attempt to use bituminous coal as a substitute for charcoal or coke was made by Ex-Gov. David Tod, in Jackson County, which was a failure. Afterward a furnace was built at Briar Hill, near Cleveland, and after one or two attempts iron from bituminous coal was made, which, were it not produced by the then new process, would scarcely have been pronounced marketable. Subsequently a Mr. Brown, of Jackson County, gave the matter his earnest attention, as the vast forests which supplied charcoal had by this time become largely depleted, and in 1865 he planted the Star furnace at Jackson Court-house. His success was complete. Since that time some thirty furnaces have been built in this State, which have substituted the bituminous coal for the charcoal formerly used. In 1870 the Ohio Iron Company put up a furnace at Zanesville, using the raw coal instead of coke, which attracted the attention of iron men generally.

THE COLUMBUS IRON TRADE.

The commencement of the Columbus iron trade was brought about by the building of the Columbus and Hocking Valley Railroad from this city through the great coal region of the Hocking Valley to Straitsville, in 1863. The building of this road opened up the three essential elements of the blast furnace, viz., coal, iron, and limestone. The coal at Straitsville is well adapted for furnace purposes, and, unlike the Pittsburg coal, it may be classed as a dry-burning coal. It contains, moreover, a large amount of fixed carbon, which gives it great heating power, while the amount of sulphur contained is small. In the furnace, this coal supports its burden above admirably, and presents little or no tendency to melt and cake. The circulation of air through this coal is good, thus securing almost perfect combustion. As a very large number of furnaces throughout the United States are using coke instead of charcoal for fuel, and the Connellsville, Penn., coke having the best reputation wherever iron is made in this country, I propose to show by an analysis of the above-named coke and of this Straitsville coal, their actual component parts. The data were kindly furnished to me by Prof. T. G. Wormley, chemist of the State Geological Survey:

Straitsville (Ohio) Coal.

	No. 1.	No. 2.	No. 3.
Specific gravity	1.250	1.281	1.202
Water	7.70	7.40	7.20
Volatile matter	30.70	29.70	30.10
Fixed carbon	59.00	60.43	57.53
Ash	2.60	2.96	5.16
Total	100.00	100.00	100.00
Sulphur	.49	.93	.57
Sulphur left in coke	.82	.15	.26
Cubic feet of gas per pound of coal	3.51	3.11	3.08
Nature of coke	Compact.	Compact.	Compact.

The following is the analysis of the three layers of the Straitsville seam; No. 1 showing the lower layer, No. 2 the middle and No. 3 the upper:

Connellsville Coke.

Combustible (volatile) matter	91.30
Ash	8.70
Total	100.00
Sulphur, per cent	2.16

THE COLUMBUS BLAST FURNACES.

There are two of these, the Columbus Iron Company's Furnace and the Franklin Furnace. The former is located about a mile north of the State Capitol, and the latter about the same distance south. The Columbus Furnace was "blown in" December, 1870, and continued in full blast all through the panic. The furnace is conveniently located on the Olentangy River, and connecting with all the railroads centring here. It has a stack 60 feet high, with bell and hopper-top; 13 feet 8 inch bosh, entered by seven 3 and 3½ inch twyers; has four hot-blast ovens, six boilers in three sets, one upright hot-blast engine, 32 inch by 4 feet stroke; pressure of blast three and a half pounds. The fuel consists of one-fifth coke, four-fifths coal, with sufficient limestone to flux. The ore used is half Lake Superior and half Hanging Rock, or native. The capacity of the furnace is thirty tons per twenty-four hours, and makes a "run" every eight hours. Coal delivered here costs about ten cents per bushel; limestone, $1 15 per ton; native ore, delivered, $4 per ton, and Lake Superior ores at the market rates, with $1 50 added for freight. This furnace turns out foundry and mill iron. The casting-house is 40 by 80 feet, and the stock-house 60 by 200 feet. The furnace and buildings occupy about eight acres of ground.

THE FRANKLIN FURNACE.

This furnace is located at the south end of the city, on the Scioto River, and has been in blast about five months. It was "blown in" Nov. 1, 1873. This furnace turns out some remarkably fine-looking No. 1 foundry iron, which attracts attention wherever seen. This iron, when broken, displays large and well-defined crystals, and comes from the casting-room in a very clean condition. The furnace from which this iron is made has a stack 62 feet high, with a 17-foot bosh. This furnace was built for eight 2½-inch twyers, but at present but six are in use. Two upright hot-blast engines of 250-horse power are fine specimens of Columbus machine-work. The fuel is one-half coal and one-half coke. This company claims that one bushel of Straitsville coal will carry more ore by ten per cent. than one bushel of coke will. The ore used is one-third native, with two-thirds Lake Superior. The capacity of this furnace is given at forty tons daily, but thirty tons is the average. The casting-room is 120 by 64, and the stock-house 80 by 200 feet. The cost of stock is about the same as at the Columbus Furnace. The wages at the blast furnaces have been reduced ten per cent. since last Fall, and even with this reduction, while the ore men continue so stiff in their prices the furnace men are barely paying expenses. Gen. Thomas (good authority on iron) gives me the following figures to show what it will cost to produce one ton of pig-iron at the Columbus furnaces after bringing all the raw material from the Hocking Valley:

80 bushels Straitsville coal, 10c. per bushel	$8 00
2¼ tons (2,268 pounds each) native ore, Perry or Hocking Counties, $5 per ton, delivered	13 75
Three-quarter ton limestone	1 12
Interest and repairs	2 00
Labor	4 00
Total per ton	$28 87

Thus we have $28 87 as the cost per ton at the furnace. The market price for Columbus pig-metal per ton, free on board cars at the furnace, is as follows:

No. 1 Foundry	$26	4 months
No. 2 Foundry	23	4 months
No. 1 Mill	20	4 months
No. 2 Mill	28	4 months

The three principal iron markets the furnace-men of this section have to compete with are Pittsburg, Cincinnati, and Cleveland. I will give the present market quotations at these places, so that they can be compared with those of Columbus. These prices include the usual four months' credit:

	Pittsburg.	Cincinnati.	Cleveland.
No. 1 Foundry	$32 00@$34	$33@$36	$34 50@$35 50
No. 2 Foundry	30 00@ 31	@	33 00@ 34 00
No. 1 Gray Forge	27 50@ 29	@	30 00@ 31 50
No. 2 Gray Forge	27 00@	@	29 00@ 30 00
Ohio Forge	@	30@ 31	@

The markets at the above points are represented as being in a very depressed state, with everything in buyers' favor. And with all this staring us in the face, I learn of two more furnaces that will be erected during the present year about two and a half miles from Straitsville. The stacks will be 48 feet high, 12-foot bosh, and supplied with four 3¼ inch twyers, through which will be forced a hot blast. The product of these two furnaces will be brought to this city, where it will enter into direct competition with the furnace-men here.

I also learn that the Licking Iron Company have in course of erection at Newark, Ohio, a new furnace and merchant par mill. The furnace will have a 48-foot stack, 12 foot bosh, and four 3¼ inch twyers, hot blast. The capacity of the mill will be fifteen tons per day, and that of the furnace twenty tons daily.

BIG CLARK.

We lately mentioned in our foreign notes the death of Mr. Clark, of Melbourne and Tasmania, who was by far the wealthiest man in Australia, where the number of men who would be regarded as rich from a London and New-York standpoint is as yet very small. Mr. Clark emigrated to Tasmania very early in life, when that colony, which has now fallen into very decayed circumstances, was in a very prosperous plight, in consequence of the money circulated in maintaining the great convict depot there. Commencing as a butcher and cattle-dealer, he gradually bought up a great deal of land, and very soon after the discovery of gold in Victoria, recognized the expediency of making that colony his principal head-quarters. In his capital work, *Our Antipodes*, the late Col. Mundy thus sketches him:

"Among the passengers my notice was particularly attracted to a tall, stout, German-like man, about fifty years of age, attired in a dirty drab Chesterfield, without waistcoat, gloves, or other expletives of dress, and who stood generally with hands in pockets, smoking his cigar, and leaning against the funnel. When he did draw forth a great pair of speckled flats it was either to light another cigar, or to refer to a note-book. It was a note-book worth referring to! This was Mr. ——, well known as the great land-owner and land-purchaser. Last year he purchased from Government 222,000 worth of land in the Port Phillip (Melbourne) District, which, at the minimum price of the crown land, ($1 an acre) is the same number of acres; and within his cabin door, whereat he keeps a sort of mastiff watch, although not a very apparent one, lies a small portmanteau, in which, as he told me himself, he has at this moment £30,000 in notes, which he is carrying to Melbourne for another block of crown lands. In Van Dieman's Land (Tasmania) he has already 50,000 acres. This season he told me he had sheared in New South Wales 90,000 and in Van Dieman's Land 40,000 sheep, and had sent to England 1,500 bales of wool, which, at £20 a bale, gives £30,000."

This was written twenty years ago, and Mr. Clark's operations have increased and multiplied at a great rate since then. A principal source of his enormous income was derived from making advances on their stock to needy "squatters." Fifteen per cent. was a very common price with him, and not unfrequently he exacted two more for "trouble"—what the Scotch dub "fash." Of course the squatters in a great number of cases were unable to pay, and all they had came to him. He would then allow them to continue on the run allowing them out of the proceeds just enough to live on. He is reckoned "a very tough customer." His personal expenses have been computed at some $5,000 a year. He did not entertain, and dined almost every day early off a cheap dish at the Criterion, a well-known hotel in Bourke street, Melbourne, close to that part of it which answers to Wall street in New-York. Mr. Clark being thus economical himself was by no means disposed to allow his sons to spend much of his money. On one occasion "the old man" went to Europe, and acting on the principle that

"When the cat's away
The mice will play,"

young Mr. Clark set up a very spicy team of four horses. "Ah," said a spectator, "he'd better get done with them before the governor gets home," and indeed we believe that he was wise in time and did not drive

The New York Times.

TRIPLE SHEET.

NEW-YORK, SATURDAY, APRIL 18, 1874.

AMUSEMENTS THIS EVENING.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC.—Matinée at 1:30—LUCIA DI LAMMERMOOR. (Italian Opera)—Mme. Ilma Di Murska, Signora Verazi, Mazi. Evening—Concert of the Philharmonic Society.

GRAND OPERA HOUSE.—THE TICKET OF LEAVE MAN—Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Florence. Matinée at 1:30—EILEEN OGE. Sunday evening—CONCERT—Mme. Ilma Di Murska, Mr. Wieniawski.

FIFTH AVENUE THEATRE.—MONSIEUR ALPHONSE—Mr. Charles Fisher, Mr. Geo. Clark, Miss Fanny Davenport, Miss Ada Dyas. Matinée at 1:30.

PARK THEATRE.—LOVE'S PENANCE—Mr. Charles Fechter, Miss Geraldine Stuart, Mr. Studley. Matinée at 1:30.

WALLACK'S THEATRE.—THE VETERAN—Mr. Lester Wallack, Mr. John Gilbert, Miss Effie Germon, Miss Jeffreys-Lewis. Matinée at 1:30.

CHELO'S GARDEN.—DAVY CROCKETT—Mr. Frank Mayo, Miss Rose Rand. Matinée at 1:30.

MUSEUM THEATRE.—PANTOMIME AND SPECTACLE—Messrs. Almont, Lovell, Elliott, Mlle. Bonfanti, and others. Matinée at 1:30.

BROADWAY THEATRE.—HUMPTY DUMPTY—Mr. G. L. Fox, Mr. C. K. Fox. Matinée at 2.

UNION SQUARE THEATRE.—LED ASTRAY—Miss Rose Eytinge, Mr. Stuart Robson. Matinée at 1:30.

WOOD'S MUSEUM.—DRAMATIC PERFORMANCE afternoon and evening. Curiosities.

THE COLOSSEUM.—CYCLORAMA OF THE LAST DAYS OF PARIS. Afternoon and evening.

BRYANT'S MINSTRELS.—FARCES, SINGING, COMICALITIES—Messrs. Unsworth, N. Seymour.

SOMERVILLE ART GALLERY.—EXHIBITION OF PAINTINGS.

ROBINSON HALL.—ART ENTERTAINMENT by Prof. Cromwell. Matinée at 2.

ASSOCIATION HALL.—Matinée at 2—READINGS by Dr. Spencer.

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For the convenience of our readers, and at the request of large numbers of our subscribers, we shall publish BRET HARTE'S *story* COMPLETE *in* THE TIMES *of to-morrow. All the copies of last Sunday's paper are sold; and as we cannot supply the first chapter separately, we shall issue the whole story in one number. We shall also publish a double supplement, full of news, political, dramatic, and literary. Advertisers are requested to send in their notices early.*

The Massachusetts Legislature has at last chosen a successor to Mr. SUMNER. The State and the country are to be congratulated upon the fact that the tedious and unseemly struggle is over, but no one, unless it be Mr. WASHBURN, can be very proud of the result. The new Senator is a man of pure reputation, and he was the Anti-Butler candidate for Governor, and that, we believe, is all that can be said about his career down to the present moment. When we remember that the State passed by Mr. ADAMS, and Mr. HOAR and Mr. DAWES, any one of whom, we should say, is his superior in public services and ability, to reach Mr. WASHBURN, it is perhaps not too much to say that where the very strongest man was needed, the weakest has been taken. Had President GRANT made a similar selection for an important post from a like group of men, he would have been sharply criticised in Massachusetts—and justly. We regret that Massachusetts has not shown us how to do the thing better. We suppose the "corrupting influence of Federal patronage" will not be called in to account for the result. We fear it must be due to some very undesirable elements in the character of the State itself. We certainly hope that Mr. WASHBURN may prove the best of all possible successors to the illustrious Senator whom Massachusetts has just been mourning so sincerely and so loudly; but we confess that, when we consider his actual achievements and the character of his competitors, it does not seem to us that his election was a special tribute to the Senator whose place he takes, but will hardly fill.

A good deal of business was got through by both Houses of the State Legislature yesterday, and there is a fair prospect that the remainder of the session will be profitably employed. So far, both Houses have studiously abstained from the kind of business so frequently attempted last year, that of legalizing claims against this City which neither the courts nor the local authorities will entertain. The other day, however, a bill was reported legalizing the extravagant claims of Warden TRACEY for supplies to the County Jail, and yesterday another bill was reported enabling ANTHONY J. BLEECKER to collect his remarkable charges for the valuation of City property requested by the Ring. The Legislature will best consult its good reputation by leaving this class of bills severely alone. Besides, there is every reason to believe that their consideration involves so much labor wasted, for, if Gov. DIX adheres to the principles laid down in his veto messages of last year, he cannot fail to refuse to sign them.

It is to be hoped that the resolution adopted by the Assembly, calling on the Controller for specific information in regard to the present condition of the accounts of the various County Treasurers, will result in a clear statement of the somewhat suspicious financial exhibits of many of those functionaries. It is to be hoped, too, that henceforth the law will be rigidly enforced, and all opportunities for speculating with public money cut off from the officials in question, some of whom, it is too plain, have thought it quite legitimate to risk the funds of the State in private loans.

Five-minute speeches will henceforth be the rule in the Assembly. This is a commendable regulation at the present time, though it will require of the honorable members considerable study of the art of condensation. As, however, the days for which they can draw pay have expired, they doubtless feel willing to abridge their stay in Albany, even at the cost of cutting short their speeches. The lobbyists may endeavor to prolong the session, but we hope they will be defeated, even at the risk of bringing down upon our devoted heads a fresh volley of their abuse.

In order that our readers may have accurate information of the condition of the iron trade of Pennsylvania, we dispatched to the State a correspondent thoroughly competent to get at the truth. The letter which we publish this morning shows that while this great industry is still suffering greatly from the effects of the depression caused by the panic, the prospects are mending, and might easily be much worse than they are. It is a fact of no little significance that at a time like the present we are making locomotives for Russia. With the currency question definitively settled, there can be no doubt that business would immediately revive, and the country would enter upon an era of prosperity greater than any it has yet experienced. Even as things are now, we may hope for a speedy resumption of activity in all branches of industry.

Nothing was done in Congress yesterday in relation to the recognition of Cuban independence, but the facts we gave may be depended on. There is nothing in the present state of affairs in Cuba to account for the sudden demand for recognition. The insurgents seem to have made no progress during the past year, and for a long time past we have heard nothing whatever about them. We are not opposed to Cuban independence, but we *are* opposed to having the United States dragged into a war with Spain for the satisfaction of Mr. CASEY and his fellow-bondholders. There is not enough money in the Treasury to allow of any assistance being given to such a harmless undertaking as the centennial at Philadelphia, and we do not see where money is to come from to provide the ways and means for a foreign war. Senator CARPENTER has unquestionably acted from an honest motive, but we cannot say as much for the clique which is behind him.

There seems to be some difference of opinion as to the wisdom or necessity of repaving Fifth avenue. We thought that most persons were agreed that the thoroughfare was in a very bad state, but we now learn from a source not likely to be mistaken that the "present Belgian pavement is in tolerable condition," and will "soon be in good order." We are also told that the property-owners on the "line of improvement" are opposed to the improvement. So be it. Our suggestions were intended to promote the public convenience, but, doubtless, we were wrong, and Fifth avenue is in beautiful order. It will be well, therefore, to let it remain as it is.

According to our correspondent at Little Rock, Ark., whose dispatch is published elsewhere, BROOKS, the new claimant to the Governorship of Arkansas, is master of the situation, both legally and physically. No appeal has been taken from the decision of the Circuit Court, and Gov. BROOKS is established in the State-house. It is evident that the mere determination of the Federal authorities to "keep the peace," and "prevent bloodshed," will prevent Gov. BAXTER'S regaining possession of the State buildings and official records by the aid of his Militia. Nothing will serve his purpose short of a decision by the Supreme Court, enforced by a *posse comitatus*, before which the United States authorities would undoubtedly give way. If the time for asking for such a decision has passed, as our correspondent states, there seems little prospect of Mr. BAXTER'S regaining the power of which he has been dispossessed. The sooner the whole controversy is dropped the better, not only for Arkansas, but for the public generally, who have controversies enough to follow just now without this one.

THE PRESIDENT AND THE FINANCE BILL.

The President was not very explicit in his response to the committee of New-York merchants, yesterday, who presented the petition for a veto of the Finance bill. He took the opportunity to tell the New-York committee what he thought of the remarks of a Boston committee, which visited him the day before, and the Chairman of which does not seem to have been very happy in his appeal. The President obviously did not see the pertinency of an argument against the purchase of bonds to the present bill, which has nothing to do with bonds. Moreover, the President says the bonds were purchased by his own direction, and, remembering the attitude of the press on this subject, and the endless gratulations of the campaign orators in 1872, and the enormous majority that followed, we do not know that the President has any reason to suppose his course was not approved by the country. For ourselves, we were not favorably disposed toward it, and foresaw that it would sooner or later tempt Congress to forget the obligation that rested on the Government to meet its demand notes. But we do not see that the matter need to have been urged on the President in connection with the Finance bill.

The New-York committee was much more judicious. Its speakers confined themselves to the one important point that the Finance bill was a blow to the public credit, because it authorized an issue of Government notes without providing any means of redeeming them, immediately or remotely. We have already pointed out that, in practical operation, that is, with reference to the inflation or contraction of the currency, the bill is not of much account. The inflation it authorizes of the greenback currency is discretionary with the Treasury Department. The inflation it authorizes of the national bank issues may never take place, while the remaining provisions of the bill tend toward contraction quite sudden and pretty sharp. Its various provisions may be roughly divided into two classes, and one class neutralizes the other, so that it is really a matter of uncertainty what the net result may be.

But behind these facts lies the unquestioned one, that the bill is an open and distinct violation of pledges made to redeem the Government notes. These pledges were explicit, that the notes should be paid as soon as possible. But instead of paying, or providing for paying them, Congress authorizes an increase of them. Whatever else the bill may do, and whatever may be the actual result of this provision itself, the fact remains that Congress has authorized an issue of greenbacks beyond the amount outstanding. The increase is relatively small; but that does not alter its character. It may never be made, but that does not relieve the country of the stigma that results from the intent to violate its pledges. The intent is, as yet, confined to one branch of the law-making power. The remaining and complementary branch of that power is the President. The Constitution imposes on him the duty of sharing or refusing to share in every act of legislation. His power is equal to that of Congress, and the responsibility is proportionate.

We have no doubt that the President fully appreciates this responsibility. We have no doubt that, in the present instance, whether he approves of the bill or returns it to Congress, he will discharge his duty conscientiously and according to what he deems to be the best interests of the country and the obligations of the Constitution. We are persuaded, nevertheless, that the bill which is before him is one that, if it becomes a law, would be a severe and dangerous blow to the credit of the nation, and an opening toward an end which no one can foresee. And we hope, therefore, that when the President says that he has always "opposed expansion without redemption," he means that he will veto the bill, which is diametrically contrary to this view.

LINES OF OCEAN TRAVEL.

"Three thousand miles of sea" is a phrase which conveys to the mind a very impressive idea of breadth and distance. But when the greater part of our enormous traffic across this stretch of ocean converges on both sides at two fixed points, and during its entire course keeps within limits not very widely apart, it is obvious that the amplitude of the expression is apt to be misleading. One great danger of ocean travel consists in the fact that, while the routes of ocean steamers may be traced along a somewhat narrow belt of sea, there is a great deal of caprice observable in the manner of adapting these routes to the presumed necessities of wind and weather. Three leading lines—the Cunard, the National, and the Inman—do indeed follow certain prescribed courses that can be traced on the map with all the certainty of parallels of latitude, but there are a dozen other lines whose routes zig-zag within the customary belt of Transatlantic navigation in a manner as perplexing as it is dangerous. Hence arises the impossibility of keeping outward and inward routes of ocean steamers clearly separated, and hence the double danger of a ship foundering at sea without the probability of succor, and of collisions occurring in thick weather between two vessels on the Atlantic bound in different directions.

The beneficial result of establishing uniform routes, even for the vessels of single lines, has been clearly illustrated lately. It seems obvious enough that could the maritime powers agree upon some convention whereby approximately uniform outward and inward routes should be prescribed for vessels of all lines, the certainty of succor in time of danger would be greatly increased, and the danger of collision between vessels outward and inward bound would be greatly lessened. It has never been seriously urged that such a plan would involve, even in the thickest weather, any danger of collision between vessels proceeding in the same direction. This question was agitated with some prospect of a practical result shortly after the disaster to the *Ville du Havre*. So far as this country is concerned, the steps made toward a solution of the problem of uniform lines of ocean travel are pretty nearly the following: A committee of the New-York Chamber of Commerce, headed by Mr. STEVENS, went to Washington to urge Congress "to take early measures, in concert with the Governments of other maritime nations, to so order the outward and inward courses of steam vessels on the Atlantic as to diminish the daily growing danger of collisions." The memorial recommended, in fact, the appointment of an International Commission on Maritime Disasters, and was taken up by the Committees on Commerce of both Houses, with a view to providing for such a commission. So far, however, the only decided step taken in the direction indicated is in the form of a bill introduced by Senator CONKLING. This bill provides for the appointment of five Commissioners, "a majority of whom shall be learned in admiralty and maritime law," who are to report a series of bills practically equivalent to a code of maritime legislation. Among the subjects prescribed for their consideration are "the rules of navigation, and for the prevention of collisions and other accidents, having reference to ocean, lake, and river navigation, and the differences therein; and as to ships and vessels engaged in foreign commerce on the ocean, having reference to the laws of other maritime nations upon the subject." That bill has not, we believe, been reported as yet from the Senate Committee on Commerce. It is to be hoped that the session will not be allowed to pass without securing some action upon it. The British Government, if we may judge from recent intimations in Parliament, are perfectly willing to co-operate with the United States in arriving at some definite conclusion on the question. A more seasonable time than this present for reaching an agreement could not be desired.

WORKING THEIR PASSAGE.

The difficulty of securing a sufficient supply of mechanical and other manual labor in this City, to meet the wants of the community, is one which has, for some years past, been increasing in interest and importance. At present the problem of accomplishing this object at rates which employers can afford to pay, is, in some departments at least, more than usually perplexing. This subject may be looked at either in its relation to the general state of business throughout the country, or in respect to its local bearings. In the latter point of view, any peculiar advantages or inconveniences pertaining to this City are to be considered. We propose here to speak of the working man's means of transit between his home and the place of his employment.

In the days when canal-boats were, with the exception of stages, the only method of public conveyance between Albany and Buffalo, one of the stories at which the rural population along the line of DE WITT CLINTON'S great improvement always felt bound to laugh, related to an individual who petitioned the Captain of a tranquilly-gliding craft to let him work his passage. The benevolent skipper complied with the request, and set him to leading one of the horses. The enterprising passenger may have had a little harder work than is performed by persons who have to stand up in a crowded street car, but he enjoyed, at least, the advantage of not being out of pocket by the operation. In fact, even so far as the labor itself was concerned, we are not sure that it was much more exhaustive, after all. The tow-path of a canal is not always, it is true, the most pleasant place in the world in which to take exercise; but there is, at all events, fresh air to be had, and the position commands a view of the opposite side of the water, if nothing more. In these respects, at any rate, the situation of the traveler in the story was decidedly preferable to that of individuals who are standing in a cage which allows each of them, on an average, only a space of about fifteen cubic feet, with their heads so high up that they can see nothing out of the windows.

The distances which citizens of New-York are obliged to go to and from their business, occasions, in most cases, a very material addition to their work for the day. It would require no very complicated calculation to show that any process which would, in any considerable degree, neutralize these distances would practically add millions of dollars to the wealth of the City. The time and labor that would thus be saved could evidently be made of immense value. We have nothing at present to say about the time occupied. What we wish now to speak of is the labor. The operation of riding as thousands every day are compelled to do—standing in such a position, and breathing such an atmosphere—is fatiguing and exhaustive. It is generally, indeed, a different kind of work from that which the man performs the rest of the day, and may be some relief on account of the variety; but it is work, nevertheless. It is not rest, and it is not recreation. It is simply a monotonous, disagreeable task, which he goes through as part of the process of making a living, and for which he expects somebody, either directly or indirectly, to pay him.

It is a point which no one will dispute that it is exceedingly desirable for the prosperity of any city that it should be rendered, as far as possible, attractive to working men. New-York has, as every one knows, on account of its confined position between two rivers, some unavoidable disadvantages in this respect. Our working population is very much crowded, and it is not easy to see how the difficulty is to be entirely remedied. But the very compactness of our City is just one of the reasons why our means of local transit should be good; for it affords facilities for the purpose which a city occupying a larger area would not enjoy. Every working man among us should have the opportunity on ordinary occasions of seating himself in a neat and comfortable vehicle, at a reasonable price, whenever the distance to or from his work is too great for him conveniently to walk. There is no other large city in the United States, and, making due allowance for the relative prices of other things, no other large city in the world, in which this could be done so cheaply and easily as here.

We have spoken principally of the class who earn their living by manual labor, because we wished to call especial attention to their case, and not because most of what we have said applies exclusively to them. We will add a single remark in regard to the peculiar hardships which such men endure on account of our inadequate means of local conveyance. The poor man, as compared with one in easy circumstances, rides much oftener, because he is too tired to walk, and much more seldom either merely to save time or simply because he is lazy. The amount paid by the rich man for his fare in a street car is a mere trifle, which constitutes no obstacle to his getting into the vehicle whenever he happens to be a little in a hurry, or does not feel exactly like taking pedestrian exercise. With the working man, that amount is a very appreciable percentage of his day's wages, and he is not generally willing to spend it in riding, unless he can avoid a considerable degree of fatigue by doing so.

THE LEANING TOWER.

The world-renowned tower of Pisa has gained a celebrity from obliquity which no uprightness could have given it. For centuries it has been a stronger magnet for the curious traveler than the most firmly-rooted monument of London, the most graceful column of Paris, or the airiest pinnacle of crescent-crowned Constantinople.

But it is admired only as a marvelous accident. No one would erect such a structure, not even as a show; the risk would be too great of its falling in some one of the many conditions which uphold the present structure; and besides, it would lose half its charm if its curious deviation from uprightness were coolly planned with architectural malice prepense. Still less would any sane man undertake to erect an edifice in that form for ordinary business purposes. Nay, if a structure designed for such purposes had unfortunately lost its perpendicular, as the Pisan tower has done, the owner would surely use every exertion to stay its downward course, or, still better, to restore it to its former position. Even though it might appear to have obtained a certain permanence of obliquity, yet, if a chance were offered to bring it back to an upright condition, the proprietor would be thought a lunatic who should be willing to leave it in its picturesque but precarious condition.

But the greatest folly would be shown by him who, possessing a business edifice in that condition, should, instead of restoring it to its perpendicular, use every effort to lower it still further in order to get the upper stories within more convenient reach. Who would sympathize with him if the centre of gravity should be thrown outside the base sooner than he expected, and the whole structure came crashing to the ground, burying beneath its ruins the earnings of a life of toil? The man who undermines an already leaning tower has no right to complain of the worst disasters that may result from its downfall.

Yet that is what the American people are doing to-day. At least, their representatives in Congress are doing it for them. Twelve years ago, unfortunate but inevitable events diverted the column of American currency from its upright position, and it has ever since remained a picturesque but dangerous marvel in the sight of the world. Were our financial system a mere curiosity, designed only for the amusement of travelers, it would undoubtedly be as great a success as the tower of Pisa. As in that case, so in this, the wonder is that the structure, so long apparently on the eve of falling, still leans athwart the sky, without as yet meeting the fate of the *assignat* system of France, the Continental currency of our own Revolution, and the two-cents-on-a-dollar money of the Republic of Hayti.

The object of a financial system is not to excite curiosity, and the failure of America to restore the column long ere this to the substantial ground of specie payment is a deep reproach on the national name. How much more foolish then, are those who, not satisfied with refusing to lift the financial tower to its proper position, are recklessly digging beneath its foundations, seeking only to lower the mighty structure till the hands of themselves or their constituents can snatch some of the moss which has gathered on its sides. Let the process be continued much longer, and the tower must fall. The laws of finance, like those of gravitation, are inflexible, and, though a system, like an edifice, may lean so as to startle the beholders without falling, yet the limits are fixed, and a hair's breadth more of deflexion may at any moment effect the downfall of the whole mass. A sudden war, to which every nation is every day liable, coming on the top of inflation, might produce a disaster beside which the panic of last Fall was but a child's amusement.

HUDSON RIVER PROPERTY.

Real estate on the Hudson is languishing this year. The lower river towns are full of new houses, with the significant words staring at the passer-by, "To Let" or "For Sale." Numerous villas and villa sites are offered for sale, and no purchasers appear. A beautiful property was presented for sale at auction on Wednesday last, situated within twenty-five miles of New-York, consisting of several sites of moderate size, suitable to purchasers of moderate means, and one with a comfortable stone house, but the sale was postponed—we suppose on account of the little demand for such property. Everywhere, from Peekskill down, are pleasant sites or handsome places offered, which thus far find no purchasers. Above the Highlands again, villas are a drug in the market. One of the handsomest places above Newburg has been turned into a brick-yard. In Fishkill—the most beautiful spot for residences on the upper Hudson—a number of villas have been for years for sale or to let, and no demand has arisen. The poorest property in the State, for its cost, is a first-class villa and grounds above the Highlands. Some of the finest of these establishments do not pay the expenses of keeping them up, and are running to decay. Even when let for the Summer, the owner can only pay the wages of gardeners and servants and the cost of repairs by the rental. Nor does the land rise in value. Numbers of fine places can be mentioned, well known on the upper Hudson, worth now less per acre than they were ten years ago.

The exception to this rule is landed property near villages and towns. Thus, real estate in the neighborhood of Newburg, Poughkeepsie, or Catskill, has increased steadily in value, under the demand from small householders. At Fishkill, land cut into lots for mechanics' houses has paid an excellent profit, though beautiful sites for villas are unsalable.

The explanation of these phenomena on the upper Hudson is that our distinctive "villa population" is decreasing—that is, the number of people who desire or are able to live on their incomes on country property the year round, does not increase, and even steadily diminishes. There is an increasing number who like country life in the Summer, and who will take villas near the City for the year, going in and out daily for business. Such persons, however, do not want the care and responsibility of a country residence in Summer, far from the City. The old-time country-resident population now prefer a house in New-York in the Winter, and their liberty in the Summer to travel or to take a furnished cottage in Newport, or the opportunity of going to Europe. The expense of a European journey for a family is no greater than a Summer's villa expenses, and all the cares and annoyances of housekeeping are avoided. As the style of living of the wealthy becomes more luxurious, it is increasingly difficult to have a well-conducted ménage in a remote country-house. Good servants will not go to a lonely residence, especially if far from "chapel." If they do accept the situations, they begin to be restless, and flit in the first cool days in Autumn. The worry and annoyance of "country gentlemen" in the United States with servants are so great that no one can understand them who has not experienced them.

All these and other causes tend to diminish the old-fashioned wealthy resident population, who used to keep up large establishments on the Hudson the year round. Such people are now Summer visitors, or are at Newport, or in Europe, and really keep up but one establishment, and that in the City. On the lower Hudson, the present difficulties in real estate result in part from the universal depression in business. Those who desire to sell, find no buyers. This can best be overcome by diligent advertising. All business men understand that the time for the most diligent advertising is when demand is slack. There is capital enough in the community to be invested in land, but it must be called out.

But a great reason for this depression is the wretched means of connection between the lower part of the City and the river towns during the Summer. From Nyack down, the main river travel in Summer is by the boats of the brothers SMITH. This connection could be made a charming excursion, and most convenient transit in the hot days, if the boats only landed where there was any convenient connection with any part of the City. As it is, passengers are dumped on a dirty and crowded dock at the foot of Harrison street, where there is no convenient cross-town connection, and which is not adjacent either to down-town business quarters, or to ladies' shopping places up town. If these boats only landed say, first, at the foot of West Fourteenth or Twenty-third street, and then near Cortlandt street, they would be of far greater service to the community.

If rapid transit ever becomes a reality, then we shall see Hudson River property in the demand which its wonderful beauty and convenience ought naturally to call forth.

THE THIEVES' PARADISE.

To those who have followed the course of criminal trials in New-York, it is, perhaps, unnecessary to observe that our local Bar has few superiors in the art of making the worse appear the better cause. There is a story told of a colored gentleman in Missouri, whose taste for horses, coupled with unusual freedom from prevailing prejudices, led him into frequent differences with the courts. On one of these occasions his case seemed almost hopeless, and he was on the point of pleading "guilty." Eventually, however, like the prudent Irishman in a similar strait, he concluded not to decide the point until he had heard the evidence, and called to his aid a lawyer famous for skill in extricating his clients from tight places. Contrary to all expectation, and as much to his own surprise as to that of any one else, he was acquitted. And to his intimates and sympathizers this lucky horse-fancier was afterward heard in a burst of confidence to admit that "'Deed he tought he stole de horse when de trial began; but when Judge SEYMOUR got froo speakin' he didn't know if he stole him or not." And, like a wise man, he took the benefit of the doubt.

Many a prisoner at the bar in our own criminal courts must have been left in an equal state of perplexity as to his guilt or innocence. The forensic eloquence which succeeds in reducing murder to an outbreak of emotional sensibility, which disguises thieving as the unintentional misappropriation of alien funds, and elevates parricide to a high rank among the cardinal works of mercy, is certainly rather bewildering to an old-fashioned sense of right and wrong. Especially for the benefit of those persecuted gentlemen who are so unlucky as to be caught with the public moneys in their pockets, and who, like the darkey found with the chicken in his hat, are lost in amazement as to how it could have got there, unless it crawled up their trowser-leg, has legal ingenuity exhausted all its artifices. Perhaps the neatest device in this direction, however, was that invented, not by a lawyer, but by a Massachusetts Bank Examiner. "Temporary misapplication" was the delicate way in which he alluded to the misfortune of a certain bank President, who has since retired into private life. "Temporary misapplication" is really good, and must fill the soul of Gen. BUTLER with envy that another should have forestalled him in the glory of its invention.

But with all our regard for the excellence of our own lawyers in this direction, their brightest successes must pale before a late Italian achievement. A Tax Collector of Naples had temporarily misapplied public funds amounting to $200,000. Becoming thus wealthy, he wisely avoided the ostentation and display characteristic too often of the suddenly affluent, and, indeed, secluded himself from the public gaze. The love and admiration of his fellow-citizens, however, were not to be denied. They followed him into his retirement, and brought him forth to receive the testimony of their approbation in the public courts. There were envious people who coarsely accused him of stealing, and it really seemed at one time as though this modest and persecuted statesman might follow the footsteps of other eminent publicists whom similar calumnies have sent to jail. His lawyers, however, were equal to the emergency. They showed very clearly that the money he had stolen—no, misapplied, was the people's money; that he was one of the people, and therefore part owner of the money, and that it would be absurd and monstrous to punish a man for taking what was his own. The syllogism was irresistible, and the jury returned a verdict of acquittal without leaving their seats.

We commend the precedent to other public officers who have in contemplation the temporary misapplication of the public money. Especially do we urge it upon the attention of the ingenious counsel who are now preparing their argument to show that TWEED was only guilty of negligence in casually, and as it were unconsciously, pocketing several millions out of the City Treasury, and that he ought to be taken out of prison and made Governor, or at least Controller, forthwith. Prove that he only took what was his own as one of the people, and the thing is done at once. In Italy, according to this doctrine, instead of being in the Penitentiary, he would probably be canonized and dedicated to glory (under the direct supervision of Saint MARTIN) along with Saint FISK and the Blessed JAY GOULD.

WASHINGTON.

THE LEGISLATIVE APPROPRIATIONS.

OFFICIAL DOCUMENTS IN THE MAILS—BUTLER AS A JOURNALIST—THE PACIFIC MAIL SUBSIDY.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, April 17.—The remainder of the day was devoted to the Legislative Appropriation bill. Gen. Garfield is endeavoring to press the passage of this bill in order that another appropriation bill may be before the Senate. If there were more appropriation bills in the latter body it is quite possible that less time would be wasted in the interminable Louisiana question and the prospective sensational Cuba debate. Gen. Butler found his usual opportunity to have a thrust at the press. Mr. Ward, of Illinois, said that he would, when in order, offer an amendment providing that the correspondence and documents of the State Department should go free through the mails. Gen. Butler thought that since the Post Office Department sent their supplies free, there was no reason why other departments should not have the same privilege; and to an inquiry why the Executive departments had partial use of the mails, which was forbidden to the legislative branch, Gen. Butler stated that the reason was because Congressmen were afraid of the bowl of somebody who might get hold of a few worn-out type, dingy paper, and muddy ink. It is stated to-day that Butler is engaged in negotiations to secure for himself some "worn-out type, dingy paper, and muddy ink," in order that he may have a morning organ in Boston for the forthcoming campaign. Mr. Willard, of Vermont, secured the adoption of an amendment striking out the appropriation of $50,000 for official postage stamps for the State Department, and inserting $1,000 for stamps at actual cost. This is a practical change in the new system which requires the different departments to pay the Post Office Department the full face value for all official stamps used, the receipts from the sales of which are treated by the Post Office Department as a revenue. If this change should become a law it will naturally decrease the deficiency in the Post Office Department.

THE PACIFIC MAIL SUBSIDY.

The Senate Committee on Commerce to-day reported a bill to repeal the sections of the act of 1872 which granted an additional subsidy of half a million dollars per annum to the Pacific Mail Steamship Company, upon condition that the service between San Francisco and China should be semi-monthly, instead of monthly, and that the company should have a sufficient number of iron steam-ships of American build to perform the increased service by October, 1873. The reasons for recommending a repeal of the law are set forth in a written report which accompanies the bill. The failure of the company to comply with the terms of the contract, by not having the ships ready, is the chief ground of the report, and the committee express the opinion that there is no need for semi-monthly mail service between the two countries, as ample facilities are provided by other lines already, requiring no subsidy. Another argument used by the committee is that the granting of any additional subsidy would crush out competition. The bill does not repeal the first act granting a subsidy of $500,000 per annum to that company for monthly service, and they will continue to enjoy that subsidy until 1877, when it expires by limitation. The House Committee on Post Offices has the same subject under consideration, and will, without doubt, make a report similar in its recommendations to that made by the Senate committee to-day.

PRIVATE BILL DAY IN THE HOUSE.

The House transacted very little legislative business, it being private bill day. Speaker Blaine took occasion to call the attention of the House to the rules, which permit one-third of the entire legislative time to be devoted to private bills, and he gave notice that the Committee on Rules would soon report to the House a new rule restricting the time to be devoted to that purpose. It was District day, and the result of a two hours' wrangle and debate was the passage of a modified charter for the Point Lookout Railroad bill.

NOMINATIONS BY THE PRESIDENT.

The President sent the following nominations to the Senate to-day: Frank E. Fry, of Maine, to be Consul at Omoa, Honduras; J. V. Brower to be Receiver of Public Moneys at St. Cloud, Minn. For Postmasters: James B. Pollock, at Olathe, Kansas; Wm. J. Benton, at Bainbridge, Ga.; Jesse Moore, at Owensborough, Ky.; Charles G. Clark, at Ann Arbor, Mich.

AMUSEMENTS.

THE OPERA.

"The Magic Flute" was sung in the original German version at the Academy of Music last evening. Mme. Di Murska's two bravura airs excited, as usual, lively demonstrations of delight, and the general performance passed off smoothly enough. Mme. Di Murska's last appearance in opera will be effected, it should be remembered, to-day, when "Linda" will be the opera. Mr. Maretzek's season ends with this day's representation.

THE FUTURE OF THE LYCEUM.

An announcement which no reader interested in theatrical or musical affairs can fail to greet with pleasure is that Mr. Maurice Grau has become manager of the Lyceum Theatre. His term of office will commence Aug. 1, and is to extend over several years. We regard Mr. Grau's victory over several competitors for the lease of the theatre as a subject of congratulation. Both the public and the manager are to be considered fortunate. From the director of Mr. Rubinstein, of Signor Salvini, of the Aimée opera bouffe company and the English opera troupe we have a right to expect a great deal, while Mr. Grau is to be complimented upon the possession of a bright and dainty theatre, centrally located, and, in brief, fitted to be a place of elegant resort if supplied with proper attractions. Mr. Grau is young, experienced, and ambitious; the control of a first-class metropolitan theatre will spur him to exertions the results of which, we are convinced, will call for nothing but commendation.

SIGNOR SALVINI.

This distinguished artist quits Havana, with his company, to-day. After a brilliant campaign, he returns, at the sacrifice of a tempting Mexican engagement, to give a series of farewell representations in New-York, and in the principal cities of the United States. His performances, by their exceeding interest and excellence, no less than by the fact that they are to be his leave-takings, will surely draw large audiences. Such personations as *Othello*, *Samson*, or the *Gladiator* will not speedily be looked upon again, and no one, we take it, will forego the final chances of witnessing the tragedian in the harried review of his répertoire he will be able to offer. Signor Salvini will act in New-Haven April 27 and 30, and in Hartford April 28 and May 1; in Boston one week, commencing May 4; in Providence, May 11 and 12; at the National Theatre, Washington, one week, commencing May 18; at the Richmond Theatre, May 25 and 26; in Baltimore, May 28 and 29; at the Walnut Street Theatre one week, commencing June 1, and in New-York commencing June 8.

CROMWELL'S ART ENTERTAINMENTS.

We observe that these highly-attractive and edifying entertainments are now in progress at Robinson Hall in Sixteenth street, near Union square. Prof. Cromwell's stereopticon views of foreign parts, domestic scenery, statuary, &c., are of marvelous artistic beauty and absolute truthfulness. No one should neglect to take a journey with the lecturer, at whose command the natural wonders, and the finest art-creations of both hemispheres, appear to delight the eye.

BRIEF MENTION.

The dramatic season at Niblo's closes, we learn, to-night, when Mr. Mayo appears for the last time in "Davy Crockett."....The second of Dr. Spencer's entertainments—the "Royal Readings"—may be attended at Association Hall this afternoon....The concert given at Decker's Rooms, Saturday, in aid of the family of the late Mr. Hagen, netted $572. The gratuitous services rendered by Messrs. Damrosch, Mills, Berger, Fritsch, and Moderati, and those of Miss Henne, entitle these performers to much praise....The last concert of the Philharmonic Society, this season, is to take place at the Academy this evening, Mme. Di Murska being the songstress of the occasion.

ARKANSAS.

THE CIRCUIT COURT DECIDE IN FAVOR OF BROOKS.

PROCLAMATION OF BAXTER THREATENING TO ENFORCE HIS AUTHORITY—BROOKS' SUPPORTERS CONFIDENT.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., April 17.—All remains quiet. Gov. Brooks has received congratulatory dispatches from all parts of the State, from all classes of citizens, comprising all shades of politics. It is admitted by all that Brooks was elected in 1872, and should have been installed. Brooks has possession of the State-house, and is entrenched there in his Executive office. The Secretary of State, Auditor, Treasurer, and all departments recognize him as Governor, and co-operate with him. He has offers of men and arms from all parts of the State, but does not need them, as he claims he has sufficient to maintain his authority. Baxter is at the Anthony House, claiming to be Governor, but he cannot enforce his pretended authority. To-day final disposition was made in the Circuit Court of the case "Brooks *vs.* Baxter," and no appeal taken, and *supersedeas* asked for. The question is finally settled, and Brooks is Governor by the vote of the people and the decisio of the courts. The military command or here has orders to maintain peace, and to let the courts settle the matter without military interference. Brooks is confident that he can hold the situation, and is receiving the hearty support of all classes of citizens in this city. The only support Baxter has is a few old Confederate Generals and their small following. There is much excitement, but so far no collision.

Dispatch to the Associated Press.

During the warlike movements of last night Col. Rose, commandant of the United States Arsenal, brought a company down, stationing them at the corner of Main and Fourth streets, and sent word to each side that, while he had no orders to interfere in behalf of either party, he was directed to prevent bloodshed. The company returned to the arsenal at daylight this morning, there appearing to be no immediate danger.

Gov. Baxter has contracted his lines to the vicinity of the Anthony House, and is now proceeding as before to exercise the duties of Governor, making the Anthony House the capitol for the time being. This morning the private secretaries of Messrs. Brooks and Baxter applied at the Post Office for mail matter addressed to the Governor of Arkansas. The Postmaster declined to deliver to either party, and telegraphed to Washington for instructions.

Gov. Baxter has issued the following proclamation:

EXECUTIVE OFFICE, }
LITTLE ROCK, Ark., April 16, 1874. }

To the People of Arkansas:

An insurrection, organized in the interest of certain parties disappointed to an attempt to secure the influence of the Executive for proposed frauds in the approaching election, has effected the seizure of the Capitol, and now attempts to usurp the functions of Government. The momentary success of this insurrection so far as regards the occupation of the building, the political traditions of the American people give to legitimate Government in time of peace, the armed sentries and loaded cannon which for the moment support the usurpation within the precincts of the State House have been deemed requisite to the maintenance of organized Government. The unexpected and forcible usurpation of the building could not at the instant be successfully resisted. Aversion to unnecessary bloodshed has for a few hours withheld the arm of the State from immediate vindication of its rights and dignity. Forbearance has seemed only to embolden the impudence of the handful of insurgents. Forbearance, therefore, is at an end. General orders, No. 1, from Head-quarters of the militia of Arkansas, of date corresponding with that of this proclamation, declares martial law in the County of Pulaski. It is due to the people of the State that the circumstances which have rendered necessary this course of action be published.

At the election of 1872 I was returned Governor of Arkansas. At a late stage of the session of the Legislature chosen at the same time, my opponent, Joseph Brooks, Esq., sought his sole legitimate and constitutional method of redress, had he been insured in the decision of the election, by an appeal to the representatives of the people. The appeal was summarily rejected. Application was then made to the highest judicial authority of the State—the Supreme Court—for a writ of *quo warranto*, which should determine my right to the office of Governor. In that case, as in the suit instituted for the office of Auditor of State, the highest judicial tribunal of Arkansas decided that under the supreme organic law of the State, the determination of the question of the election of State officers is exclusively vested in the Legislature. Public excitement was allayed. The State settled itself to quiet under an administration which I trust has not been unfaithful to its professions or obnoxious to the people. Meantime a proceeding had been instituted before a Circuit Court of a county for the possession of the office of Governor. I do not care at present to comment upon the question of the authority of such a court to adjudicate a matter from the decision of which the Supreme Court of the State had, upon unconstitutional grounds, not merely shrunk, but affirmatively denied its own jurisdiction. The Pulaski Circuit Court did clandestinely assume upon a demurrer filed in court, but never submitted to the court for its action, to render judgment of ouster against the officer who fifteen months had exercised the functions of Chief Magistrate of the State.

The judgment was rendered upon the call of the contestant's attorney, in violation of the express agreement of counsel that the case should not be taken up in the absence of the representatives of either party. It was rendered, therefore, in point of fact, without the knowledge or even the suspicion of the Governor or his counsel, in pursuance of a plot already matured, in anticipation of the decision of the Circuit Court. The conspirators forgetting, in their haste, that no writ of ouster had ever been issued, betook themselves as to the room where the Chief Justice of the State, the sole dissenter from the decision of the Supreme Court, awaited them by previous appointment, and then, armed with the Chief Justice's attestation to Mr. Brooks' oath of office, proceeded, forcibly, to eject from the State-house the chief magistrate of the commonwealth. The appeal lies, of course, to the Supreme Court of the State. That Supreme Court has already in a case invo ving the point at issue, determined that as the authority to decide the validity of the election of any executive officer of the State. It need hardly be remarked that, pending an appeal, the effect of the judgment of the Circuit Court of Pulaski County is suspended, and that the undertaking to sustain the enforcement of that judgment pending the appeal, is without color of law or moral palliation. The forcible ejection of the Chief Magistrate from the premises was followed by a prearranged and prompt summons to armed de peradoes to bar all access to the State House and its legitimate occupants. Brooks has issued a paper entitled a proclamation, in which he distinctly announces his intention of bloodshed. The Executive of the State has but one obligation to perform, that to which he is bound alike by his duty as a citizen and his official oath. The authority of the law will immediately and effectively be asserted, peaceably it may be, but asserted in any event. The Government proposes to occupy the capital as Governor of Arkansas. I appeal to the people of the State to support the Government of the State against shameless usurpation. Under the solemn obligations of my oath of office, I renew my promise to be true to them. I ask from them the support which they owe to the Chief Ma-

(Signed,) ELISHA BAXTER,
Governor of Arkansas."

THE JUDGMENT SUSTAINED—THE COURT CENSURED BY THE BAR—ORDER OF THE MILITARY GOVERNOR.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., April 17.—This morning Judge Whylock sent a note to the Clerk of the Circuit Court stating that he had been advised by the Sheriff that it would be unsafe for him to come to the Circuit Court-room, on Markham street, and requesting the Clerk to bring the records up to the State-house. Gov. Baxter's attorneys were also notified. These gentlemen declined to pass through the Brooks guard into the State-house, where the County Clerk's office is located, to attend court.

The Judge then moved to the Criminal Court-room, just opposite, but the counsel did not attend at that place. Judge Whylock then overruled the motion to set aside judgment in the Brooks-Baxter case, and sustained the motion to correct the record so as to show that the demurrer was submitted without the knowledge of Baxter or his attorney. The Bar held a meeting to-day, and passed severe resolutions against Whipple, Brooks' attorney, for his non-professional conduct, and also against the court for its action in the absence of the Governor's counsel.

During the morning Gen. T. P. Dockery was appointed Military Governor of the city, and issued the following order:

HEAD-QUARTERS MILITARY GOVERNOR, }
CITY OF LITTLE ROCK, April 17. }

GENERAL ORDER No. 1.—The Commander in Chief of the military of the State of Arkansas has appointed me Military Governor of the City of Little Rock. All male citizens between the ages of eighteen and forty-five are hereby ordered immediately to report for duty at these head-quarters, at the south-east corner of Markham and Scott streets. Failure of prompt compliance with the requirements of this order is not expected from patriotic citizens, and the consequence of such failure must rest with those who omit to comply.

(Signed,) TOM P. DOCKERY,
Brigadier General and Military Governor,
City of Little Rock.

ADDRESS BY LEADING CITIZENS—GOV. BAXTER INDORSED.

LITTLE ROCK, April 17.—The following address, signed by nearly all the leading citizens of Little Rock, was issued to-day:

To the People of the State of Arkansas:

The recent occurrence here in the attempt to displace Gov. Baxter and install Mr. Brooks as Governor of this State is a matter of such serious moment, as to require, in our opinion, a few words from us. From the disposition heretofore made of the contest between Mr. Brooks and Mr. Baxter for the office of Governor by the court of last resort, we had supposed that the question was settled, unless the next Legislature should undertake to act upon it, and Mr. Baxter, the legal Governor of the State. Acting as such Governor in a time of peace, when the country was quiet, by a movement wholly in violation of law and of a revolutionary character, Gov. Baxter was ejected from, and Mr. Brooks was forcibly put into, possession of such office, and is now attempting to exercise the functions and duties of the same. Gov. Baxter is determined to put himself in possession of such office, and to hold the same, and has so proclaimed to you. In this we fully indorse Gov. Baxter, and we call upon you, whose interests are our interests, to come to the aid of Gov. Baxter in this movement. Our all is involved in this, and if Gov. Baxter is kept out of office in this manner, then there is an end to peace and prosperity in this State, and in their stead we are to have disorder, bloodshed, and ruin. After a deliberate revival of the whole situation we see no alternative but to sustain Gov. Baxter in this trial, cost what it may, and we urge you to rally at once to the capital, and aid in the maintenance of Gov. Baxter's power and authority."

Gov. Baxter is still at the Anthony House, with a guard stationed around the hotel, and Mr. Brooks is at the State-house, surrounded by a number of armed men, mostly colored. He is fortifying the place, apparently preparing for a siege.

Gov. Baxter to-day made a demand upon the Postmaster for mail matter addressed to the Governor of Arkansas. The Postmaster declined to deliver it, saying he had refused it to Mr. Brooks and had telegraphed to the department for instructions.

The United States Circuit Court adjourned to-day until the first Monday in May, and Judge Dillon leaves to-night for St. Louis.

The first arrest was by Baxter's troops, who arrested one of Brook's Lieutenants this morning while passing near Baxter's head-quarters, and sent him to the guard-house.

Brook's forces have not apparently been augmented by any considerable numbers. Baxter's officers are enrolling men rapidly, and public feeling is generally in his favor.

The United States troops occupied a position at the United States Court-room last night, in the centre of the city, to preserve peace, and will occupy a similar station to-night.

Baxter's forces have taken possession of the different gun-stores and the arms and ammunition in them.

THE TELEGRAPH TO BE KEPT OUT OF EITHER FACTION—THE MAILS FOR THE "GOVERNOR OF ARKANSAS."

WASHINGTON, April 17.—At the Cabinet meeting to-day it was stated that reports had reached here that Baxter, of Arkansas, had seized the telegraph line to prevent the Brooks party from using it, and accordingly instructions had been issued by the War Department to an officer at Duvall's Bluff to proceed to Little Rock and investigate the matter, and to see that telegrams to or from the General Government shall not be intercepted.

Postmaster General Creswell, in response to the telegram of the Postmaster at Little Rock, received to-day, instructed him as follows: Letters addressed to Gov. Baxter, or to Baxter, Governor of Arkansas, should be delivered to Baxter. Letters addressed to Gov. Brooks, or to Brooks, Governor of Arkansas, should be delivered to Brooks. You will retain all communications addressed to the Governor of Arkansas until further orders.

REPORTED IRREGULARITIES IN THE ACCOUNTS OF A BANK.

It having been reported late last evening that there was to be a change in the presidency of the German-American Bank, No. 120 Broadway, and that Mr. Osmond H. Schriener, the present Cashier of the institution, was to take the place of Mr. Emil Sauer, the President, a TIMES reporter called on Mr. Schriener, at his house, No. 51 Cambridge place, Brooklyn, to inquire about the truth of the rumor. Mr. Schriener said that the rumor was true, and that he was to succeed Mr. Sauer, who had ceased to be President of the bank. Upon being asked why this change had been made, Mr. Schriener at first declined to say anything in regard to it, averring that the capital of the bank was intact and perfectly sound, and that it was able to pay every dollar of its indebtedness, and that he did not think that it was necessary to say more. The reporter then suggested that the public would be anxious to know why so important a change was made so suddenly, and that it would, perhaps, be better that they should know the true reason at once, rather than that they should be allowed each one to conjecture for himself. Mr. Schriener then said that that the present action of the board was owing to the fact that they had found some irregularities in the direction of the transactions of the bank, and on that account Mr. Sauer had sent in his resignation. He particularly requested the reporter to say that he would pledge his honor that the capital of the bank was not impaired to the amount of a single cent; that it was able to pay every dollar of its indebtedness to-morrow, if necessary; that, although it was comparatively a young institution, being only four years old, it had paid a dividend regularly for the last three years, and that it would pay a dividend this year as well.

Mr. Sauer, the Ex-President, was then called upon, at his residence, No. 6 East Forty-ninth street. He declined to make any statement in reference to the matter. From other sources, however, it was ascertained that the irregularities amount to over $60,000.

END OF A RAILROAD WAR.

The war between the Baltimore and Ohio and Pennsylvania Railroads, which, since July, 1873, has been kept up with much vigor, is at last settled, on the understanding that each of these companies shall have equal privileges over the New-Jersey lines leased by the Pennsylvania Road, also the same terminal facilities for passengers and freight at New-York. The new arrangement is to go into effect on Monday next, the 20th inst., from which date the passenger and freight tariffs of both companies will be restored to the old standard. The fight in this case has been over the through traffic between New-York and Washington, the Baltimore and Ohio, operating the old and well-known line between that city and Washington, desiring to keep the travel between those cities as much as possible to themselves, and the Pennsylvania Road endeavoring to draw it off by the new "air-line" route. After five or six weeks the last named line was abandoned, and the trains of the Pennsylvania Company resumed their old route via Philadelphia, Wilmington, and Baltimore, and from Baltimore by the Baltimore and Potomac Railroad to Washington. The last line possessed but a single track, while the Baltimore and Ohio Road operated two. Notwithstanding this fact, and owing chiefly to the strenuous and constant efforts of the Pennsylvania people, almost all the travel from the North to Washington was for some time carried over the new single track road from Baltimore to the National capital. To secure further control of the route to Washington, the Pennsylvania Company, in September last, notified the Baltimore and Ohio Company that from and after the day following, their cars would not be allowed to run on the New-Jersey Roads leased by the Pennsylvania Company, and that notwithstanding the fact that the Baltimore and Ohio people were entitled by their contract to six months' notice. The other railway companies were also informed that the tickets of the Baltimore and Ohio Road would not be taken on the Pennsylvania lines through New-Jersey, nor would baggage from the Baltimore road be checked over those lines. In retaliation the Baltimore people in December last reduced the rates on through travel to the West about one-half. Various plans for a settlement followed, advanced by companies friendly to both the contending parties, but up to the present time without success. By the compromise just adopted the Baltimore and Ohio Road is to run two day trains, and the Pennsylvania Road one night and one day train, per diem.

MYSTERIOUS DEATH IN PORTLAND, ME.

PORTLAND, Me., April 17.—A woman named Mary A. Whitter, about sixty-five years old, was found dead in her house on Brackett street, yesterday. She was somewhat eccentric, and lived alone, receiving no visitors. Her non-appearance, therefore, excited no comment, until it was observed that no smoke issued from the chimney and there were no signs of life about the house. This afternoon the authorities were notified, and, on going into the house, found the woman stretched on a mattress on the floor. She had, apparently, been dead a week or ten days. Not a morsel of food of any kind nor a particle of wood was found in the house. It is supposed she was taken too ill to go out and purchase food, and actually starved to death. She has a son in the Second Auditor's Office in Washington.

DAMAGE TO RAILROADS BY RAINS.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., April 17.—The heavy rains of the past few days have not only been destructive to the planting interest, but, together with the floods in the various rivers, damaging to the different railroads centring here. On the Memphis and Charleston Railroad trains run only to Middleton, and portions of the Clarksville division of the Memphis and Louisville Railroad are inundated already, and the waters of the Cumberland and Tennessee Rivers are still rising, causing a temporary suspension of travel on that road, while the Memphis and Little Rock Road is in danger should the rise in the Mississippi continue for a few days longer.

THE LENGTHENED STEAM-SHIPS.

LIST OF OCEAN STEAMERS WHICH HAVE BEEN LENGTHENED—THEIR ORIGINAL DIMENSIONS AND SUBSEQUENT ADDITIONS.

The recent disasters which have befallen certain transatlantic steam-ship companies have created an immense and absorbing interest in the general condition of ocean steam-ships, and the question which has just arisen respecting the effect of lengthening steamers after a number of years' service is likely to excite greater attention. With the view of obtaining an accurate idea of the number of steamships which have been altered in this regard, a TIMES reporter called yesterday afternoon at the offices of the several transatlantic companies, and, with one exception, the information was cheerfully tendered. The only company whose manager positively refused the information sought was the Anchor Line, and Mr. Henderson, the agent, emphatically declined to give it.

Of the Inman Line, the ships which have been lengthened are the City of Bristol, formerly the Etna. It was built in Greenock in 1857; its original length was 304.8 feet, to which were added 44.8 feet in 1871. City of Washington, built in Glasgow, 1856; original length, 239.3 feet, to which were added, in 1873, 49 feet. City of Limerick, built in Greenock, 1855; original length, 298 feet, to which 33 feet were added. City of London, built in Glasgow, 1863; original length, 325.4 feet, to which were added, in 1867, 40 feet. City of Paris, built in Glasgow, 1866; original length, 358.7 feet, to which were added, in 1870, 39 feet. City of New-York, built in Greenock; original length, 305 feet, lengthened to 375.2 feet in 1871. These steamers, with the exception of the City of Paris, are all freight-boats, and do not carry the mails. The City of Paris is the only regular mail-boat which has been lengthened, and it is asserted that she has already shown her fitness for all seasons and all weathers.

National Line.—The Greece, formerly the Virginia; built in Barrow, England, 1863; original length, 340 feet, to which were added, in 1872, 51.6 feet. The Canada, formerly the Pennsylvania, built in Barrow, England, 1863; original length 340.6 feet, to which 51.6 feet were added in 1872. Holland, formerly the Louisiana, built in New-Castle, England, 1858; lengthened, in 1870, 80 feet.

French Line.—Ville du Havre, formerly Napoleon III., built in 1864; original length 360 feet, to which 63 feet were added in 1872. This vessel, it will be remembered was recently lost in a collision with the Lock Earn. Europe, formerly Lafayette, lengthened in 1868, and abandoned by her Captain (Lamarie) and crew on 9d April. Amerique, built at St. Nazaire, 1865, formerly L'Imperatrice Eugenie; lengthened in 1874, foundered April 14, 1874.

Anchor Line.—(Information obtained from outside sources.) Napoli, built in Glasgow, 1874; original length 252.4 feet, lengthened, in 1872, 46.4 feet.

Cunard Line.—Olympus and Marathon.

Miscellaneous.—The Wilmington, formerly owned by Williams & Guion, built in 1865; original length 185 feet, lengthened 40 feet in 1870. It is now the property of a private individual. The Canima, formerly Princess Royal, and Juan G. Meigs, built in Glasgow in 1873; original length, 239 feet; lengthened, in 1870, 30 feet. Sheldrake, built in England 1855; original length, 200 feet; lengthened in 1861 by 30 feet. Cambria, built in North Shields, England, 1858; original length, 184 feet, to which 20 feet were added in 1861. Corinthian, formerly the Damascus, built in Glasgow 1856; original length, 239 feet 3 inches; lengthened in 1870 by 40 feet.

The statement published yesterday that the Norwegian steamer Anna, and the Widdrington, (not Woodrington,) and the City of Chester, of the Inman Line, were lengthened vessels, is denied.

None of the steamers belonging to the following steam-ship companies have been lengthened: Guion Line, White Star Line, Red Star Line, Morse Steamship Company, State Line, Great Western Line, Dublin Line, Cardiff Line, Baltic Lloyd, North German Lloyd, White Cross Line, Hamburg Line, and Rotterdam Line.

CHEAP TRANSPORTATION ASSOCIATION.

The special committee which was appointed by the Cheap Transportation Association on Tuesday last have appointed a subcommittee, consisting of Simon Sterne, B. P. Baker, and J. L. Macauley, to examine the various rapid-transit bills now before the Legislature, with a view of selecting such bill as may to them seem the most feasible for incorporating an amendment which would provide for an elevated railroad for the transmission of grain. The Committee will probably go to Albany in a day or two, and the probability is that they will endeavor to have the amendments which they require inserted in Mr. Eastman's bill.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

The 106th anniversary of the Chamber of Commerce will occur on the 7th of May next. The members propose to celebrate the occasion by a grand banquet at Delmonico's that evening, at which the President of the United States and other distinguished gentlemen will be invited as invited guests. The Committee of Arrangements consists of Wm. E. Dodge, George Opdyke, Wm. M. Vermilye, Samuel D. Babcock, Solon Humphreys, Francis S. Lathrop, George Wilson.

A VIRGINIA ROMANCE.

The Alexandria (Va.) *Sentinel* concludes its recent romantic story of a fugitive bridegroom, as follows: "Mention was made in this paper a few evenings since of the mysterious disappearance of a bridegroom. The particulars of the case are as follows: There arrived in this city on Thursday, the 2d instant, a young widow with two children, and a young man, apparently about twenty-three years of age, the latter bearing the name of Bernard Hall, all hailing from Boonesville, Albemarle County, Va. They proceeded to Washington, and were there united in the holy bonds of wedlock. They returned to this city on the same day, and procured accommodations at a boarding-house in the upper part of the city, and there received the congratulations of many ladies in the neighborhood. The next day he partook of a first-class dinner, and without saying anything to anybody, or even kissing his bride good-bye, walked out, as it was supposed, to see the sights, and did not return until yesterday afternoon. In the mean time, the bride took it very easy, remarking 'if he did not come soon she would marry some one else, and she would not have married him any way if she had known there were so many good-looking young men here as there are.' She, besides, there are plenty of fish in the sea uncaught yet.' But, alas! the groom had been seen along the line of the W. C., T. M. and G. S. R. R., and was brought to this city yesterday afternoon. He said that he didn't intend to go away, but that 'he was sitting on a freight car which had an engine tied to it, and it carried him off, and that he didn't like this married business anyhow.' She informed him that he had just returned in time, as she didn't intend to wait much longer for him. She informed him that he owed her that the wife bears all the expense. They left last night on the 9 o'clock freight train for Culpepper."

THE ORIGINAL ABOLITIONISTS.

The Committee of Arrangements for the reunion of Abolitionists in Chicago in June has issued invitations to the following persons to be present and deliver addresses, sketches, &c.: Wendell Phillips, on "John Brown;" George William Curtis, on a special subject, probably "The Abolitionists;" William Lloyd Garrison, special topic; Rev. J. A. Thom, on the "West India Emancipation;" Elihu Burritt, New Britain, select topic; Hon. Henry Wilson, select topic; Hon. Charles Francis Adams; Oliver Johnson, Bristol, England; Elder Edward Matthews, on "Father Dickson;" John Bright, M. P., London, England; James Clark, Street, England; Mrs. Harriet Beecher Stowe, Lydia Maria Child, Grace Greenwood, Mrs. Tracy Cutler, Handle Cushman, Bristol, England; Hon. E. B. Washburne, Hon. J. C. Fogg, F. E. McCracken, Addison Coffin, Hon. John F. Patten, Gen. H. E. Payne, Hon. C. M. Hawley, John Brown, Jr., Owen Brown, Theodore D. Weld, Gen. O. O. Howard, J. W. Wilson; and Judge E. S. Williams, of Chicago, a eulogy on James H. Collins. The Committee on Biography report the following subjects for biographical sketches, to be read at the reunion: Illinois men—E. P. Lovejoy, "the martyr," by Dr. E. Beecher; Major C. W. Hunter, first candidate of the Liberty Party for Governor, by Rev. D. B. Hurlburt; John H. Henderson, first Liberty candidate for Congress. Moses Hunter and Dr. Nelson, teachers in the free institute; Benjamin Lundy, anti-slavery pioneer of J. H. Collins, Owen Loveloy, Jesse Fell, and Ichabod Codding. Wisconsin men—Chas. Durkee and S. D. Hastings. Ohio Men—Samuel R. Louis, S. P. Chase, and Joshua R. Giddings.

COMPLIMENT TO COMMODORE GRAY OF THE PACIFIC MAIL STEAM-SHIP COMPANY.

Yesterday the passengers on board the steamship Chauncey, of the Pacific Mail Steam-ship Line, tendered the following compliment to Commodore Gray, who has made over 100 passages to Aspinwall, and never lost the company one cent for damages or met with an accident to ship or passengers:

ON BOARD THE STEAM-SHIP CHAUNCEY, }
OFF ——, April 17, 1874. }

To Commodore A. G. Gray, Commander, &c.:

DEAR SIR: On the termination of our voyage we cannot separate without tendering to you, and to your officers, our sincere acknowledgements for the attention and courtesies which we have received during our passage to New-York.

Though the transit has not been as speedy as the steaming qualities of your vessel have recorded on previous voyages, owing to circumstances over which you had no control, yet our time has passed delightfully, every comfort being placed at our command, and we thank God for His heavenly protection in guiding the good ship in safety.

Yourself and officers have blended the characteristics of good seamanship with the courtesies of gentlemen, which we feel proud to record, and we only exercise a proud privilege to acknowledge our high appreciation of the same.

Wishing that yourself and amiable lady (the latter having graced the ship on the present occasion) may enjoy many years of uninterrupted happiness, and requesting you will convey to the senior officer, Mr. Purser Rooney, the Surgeon, and other officers of your ship these our sentiments, we remain, dear sir, your faithful servants,

Capt. E. Wakeman,	Byron Archer,
Andrew C. Elliott, Jr.,	W. Fitz Randolph,
Mrs. Harry H. Brackett,	Mrs. Lottie A. Perry,
Helen Marshall,	Charles S. Smith,
Wm. M. Hopkins,	Austin Kreaw,
Charles Hallet,	James Emerson,
Sarah H. Hallet,	Horatio Blackwell,
Miss Frances Wescott,	F. M. Czarnoski,
Miss Agnes Sherk,	Miss M. J. Stone,
Albert Delgado,	E. Sanguino, M. E.,
Dan P. French,	C. S. Dewing,
Morgan Gale,	Miss Gussie Sherk,
H. E. Wessels,	Mrs. Matilda Sherk,
J. C. Gilbert,	T. Templeton Dougherty,
D. Campbell,	and several others.

THE CENTENNIAL EXHIBITION.

To the People of the State of New-York:

It is right that the people of the United States should know that the day and year which closed the century of American Independence—July 4, 1876—will be commemorated with ceremonies expressive of the gratitude and pride of a great nation; and, in accordance with the act of Congress of June 1, 1872, which created the Board of Finance, the following report is made over the signature of the President of the board:

The original law of Congress, enacted March 3, 1871, provided for "the celebration of the Centennial of American Independence by an international exhibition of the arts, manufactures, and natural resources of this and other countries, under the auspices of the Government of the United States."

And the act of June 1, 1872, fixed the capital to complete this great commemoration at $10,000,000, which was by the Commissioners apportioned among the several States and Territories on the basis of population.

Of this sum the State of Pennsylvania alone, aided by a subscription of $100,000 from the State of New-Jersey, has raised in the form of subscriptions to the stock and by appropriations from its Legislature and the Councils of Philadelphia, about $4,000,000, or nearly one-half the amount necessary to insure success. This provision having been made, designs for suitable buildings were approved, and othe preliminary and incidental arrangements have so far advanced as to justify an immediate commencement of the work of construction.

The Commissioners have appealed to the Congress of the United States, on the basis of these subscriptions, appropriations, and preparations, to maintain the spirit of the two laws above referred to, and the correspondence of the State Department with foreign powers has induced the Governments of the Netherlands, Belgium, Switzerland, Germany, Sweden, Liberia, Equador, the Argentine Confederation, Chili, Mexico, Hayti, and the Sandwich Islands to express their intention to participate, and they have every reason to believe that this appeal to Congress will be generously responded to.

Subscriptions to the stock have also been made by individuals in the States and Territories of Missouri, Illinois, Nebraska, Montana, Indiana, Nevada, Oregon, California, Louisiana, Florida, Maryland, Ohio, Wisconsin, Michigan, Arizona, New-Jersey, Delaware, Rhode Island, Arkansas, Alabama, New-York, Virginia, Iowa, and Kansas.

Such in brief is the condition of the organization for the international commemoration of the close of the century of American independence.

The City of Philadelphia was selected as the most fitting locality at which to celebrate the birth of American Independence for the reasons:

1. That from Philadelphia the Magna Charta of human liberty, the immortal Declaration, was uttered. The buildings in which the convention sat remained substantially as they were on that historic day; and

2. Of all the points of Revolutionary interest, Philadelphia is the most central and accessible to the whole country. It is the Republic's celebration of its birthday at the very place of its birth.

The Finance Board earnestly urge their fellow-countrymen to keep in mind the great fact that the event to be commemorated is the grandest and most momentous in history, that the commemoration is to take the form of an exhibition of the stupendous progress made by the American people in the first hundred years of their independence, in everything relating to the natural resources of the country and their development, and, especially, its progress in those industries, arts, and institutions which benefit mankind.

How diversified are the objects which must enter into that exhibition—how vast the buildings and the space required to present them with full effect, are suggestions that need only to be mentioned to bring home to every American the colossal magnitude of the undertaking.

Consider for a moment the industries, products, and devices necessary to an adequate expression of the progress of your own State, and the space that will be essential to their full presentation, and you can hardly fail to perceive that your State alone will require an area in the exhibition buildings and grounds equal to that occupied at Vienna by England or France. This is true of not less than ten of the older States. The other twenty-seven States and ten Territories will each of them require space in proportion.

That the stock of the Centennial Board of Finance might be within the reach of every citizen, the Congress of the United States fixed every share at $13, which will be represented by a handsome steel-engraved certificate, executed by the Treasury Department of the Government, and fittingly designed in commemoration of the event. The board in soliciting subscriptions to its stock feel assured that there is a patriotic desire to render the exhibition worthy of the occasion.

Notice is hereby given that checks and drafts can be addressed to the Financial Treasurer, Frederick Fraley, No. 904 Walnut street, Philadelphia, for any number of shares, at $10 each, and certificates of stock will be promptly returned. The International Exhibition will commence on the 19th of April, 1876, and close on the 19th of October, 1876.

The undersigned, President of the Board of Finance, speaking for his colleagues, and, he believes, for the great body of the American people, does not doubt the answer of that people to this earnest appeal. They are not unmindful of the patriotic interest in the Centennial of their own independence, nor of the high duty of honoring it as it deserves. Philadelphia, the scene of the immortal Declaration, not only in the old hall where it was written, and whence it was proclaimed, but in the extensive Park where the exhibition is to be held, sacred as the resort of Washington and the Revolutionary worthies, has given many times her share to the memorial. It is not her celebration—it is the nation's. History has simply designated that city as the spot where the national sentiment can be historically expressed. Every other City and State is inspired by the same sentiment. Every man and woman, North and South, is stirred by the same impulse. All the peoples of the earth are earnest spectators and students of our progress. The work, therefore, is at once national and international. It reaches every class and every interest. It will be the most remarkable comparison and interchange of ideas and inventions, of art and science, of the products of the earth, the brain, and the hands—the most friendly and complete intercourse between the races of all countries in modern civ lization. It is impossible to believe that any portion of the American people will hesitate to unite in what is a sacred memory and a sacred obligation.

JOHN WELSH,
President of the Centennial Board of Finance.

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MARRIED.

BEECKMAN—REY.—On Wednesday, April 15, at the residence of the bride's parents, by Rev. A. H. Partridge, THOMAS H. BEECKMAN, of New-York, to M. LOUISE, third daughter of Charles Rey, Esq., of Brooklyn. No cards.

GARDNER—CRANE.—On Thursday, April 16, at Zion's Church, by Rev. John N. Gallelier, GEORGE N. GARDNER to MARY ELSIE, daughter of the late Theodore Crane.

IRWIN—WHITE.—On Thursday, April 16, at the Church of the Incarnation, by Rev. H. E. Montgomery, D. D., JAS. B. IRWIN, of this City, to SOPHIE, daughter of Fred. Wüste, of Bremen, Germany.

MOTT—MOSES.—On Thursday, April 16, by Rev. Dr. Rogers, ELLA, daughter of the late James S. Moffett, of Cincinnati, and HENRY A. MOTT, Jr., of New-York.

NEWELL—WARING.—At the Reformed Church, Yonkers, N. Y., April 15, 1874, by Rev. Dr. Cole, DARIUS E. NEWELL and AURELIA WARING, daughter of the late Jarvis A. Waring, all of Yonkers.

PIGOT—NOSTRAND.—In Brooklyn, on Thursday, April 16, at St. James Church, by Rev. Chas. W. Homer, JOSEPH B. PIGOT to ELLA, daughter of Cornelius T. Nostrand. No cards.

RUMSEY—MARVIN.—On Wednesday evening, April 15, at the residence of the bride's father, by Rev. Thos. S. Hastings, D. D., CORNELIUS EARLE RUMSEY, of Pittsburg, Penn., to LILLIE M., daughter of Walter K. Marvin, Esq., of New-York.

SWEET—CARR.—On Tuesday, April 14, at the residence of the bride's parents, by Rev. Benjamin D. Hill, HENRY C. SWEET to CARRIE R., daughter of Chester Lamb, Esq., all of this City. No cards.

SOUTTER—THOMPSON.—On Wednesday, April 15, by Rev. Dr. Tyng, CHARLES B. SOUTTER, of New-York, to FANNIE, daughter of the late George Thompson, of Baltimore, Md.

VOSS—NELSON.—On Thursday, April 16, by Rev. Wm. H. Nelson, Jr., WILLIAM VOSS to CAROLINE KANE, eldest daughter of Wm. H. Nelson.

WARNER—BELLOWS.—On Thursday, April 16, at the res dence of the bride's mother, by Rev. R. W. Sloss, G. H. WARNER to LIZZIE STILLWELL, youngest daughter of the late Dr. J. E. Stillwell.

DIED.

ARMSTRONG.—On Friday, April 17, JAMES D. ARMSTRONG, in the 71st year of his age.
Funeral on Sunday, April 19, at 2 P. M., from the residence of his son-in-law, D. S. Holmes, No. 89 4th st., Brooklyn E. D.

BARKER.—On Thursday, April 16, MAY, eldest daughter of Wm. H. and Maggie C. Barker.
The friends and relatives of the family, also of her late grand

LAW REPORTS.

COURT OF APPEALS CALENDAR.

ALBANY, April 19.—The following is the Court of Appeals Day Calendar for April 20: Nos. 67, 97, 177, 104, 194, 195, 196, 197.

DECISIONS.

SUPREME COURT—CHAMBERS.

By Judge Lawrence.

Roher vs. Farre; motion denied.

In the matter, &c., Boole; Brown vs. Burns; In the matter of the application of the New-York Gold Mining Company; In the matter, &c., Smith & Parmlee Gold Company; memorandums.

By Judge Donohue.

Sixby vs. Snow; opinion.

Peeks vs. Peeks; decree of divorce granted to the plaintiff.

SUPERIOR COURT—SPECIAL TERM.

By Judge Van Vorst.

Levy et al. vs. Burgess; case and amendments settled.

By Judge Monell.

Mosback vs. Mosback; judgment for limited divorce granted to plaintiff.

COMMON PLEAS—SPECIAL TERM.

By Judge Loew.

McDaniel vs. Schmidt, Jr.; motion granted.

Reed vs. Cochran et al.; motion granted on payment of taxable costs of defendant Hall.

Hamilton vs. Eagan; motion denied without costs.

Taylor vs. Philip; motion to place cause on short calendar granted.

Murphy vs. Buckman; motion to send back to Referee for further finding granted.

By Judge Robinson.

Hartsung vs. Lewis; motion to open judgment denied, with $10 costs and disbursements.

UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT.

No. 295.—*Township of Pine Grove* vs. *Talcott.*—Error to the Circuit Court for the Eastern District of Michigan.—This was an action to recover on certain bonds issued by the township in aid of the Kalamazoo and South Haven Railroad Company, under the provisions of an act of the Michigan Legislature, passed in 1869, enabling such township subscription in aid of railroad enterprise. A demurrer was interposed on the ground of the invalidity of the act of the Legislature, and the consequent want of power in the township and its electors to vote and issue the bonds. The demurrer was overruled and judgment had on the bonds. The error assigned here is the decision of the court that the legislation was valid; and the argument is that by the State Constitution it cannot be a party to or interested in any internal improvements. It is also said that the State courts had previously to the decision in this case so held; ruling the act invalid, and that by the rule in such cases it was the duty of the Federal Court to be governed by the adjudications of the State courts on all questions touching the construction of its Constitution and laws.

J. S. Black for plaintiff in error; J. A. Garfield for defendant.

No. 289.—*Morgan* vs. *United States.*—Appeal from the Circuit Court for the District of Louisiana.—This was a proceeding in confiscation under the act of 1862, for the condemnation of land belonging to one Accoyo. The appellant claimed an interest under mortgages previously made. The cause was treated in the District Court like a proceeding in admiralty, and was heard by the Judge without a jury. The decree was for the United States, and the appellant filing the case in the Circuit Court, it was then dismissed because the transcript and record of the proceedings in the case did not disclose the existence of the court complained of, and sought to be reversed by appeal, to have been a decree or judgment in an equity or admiralty proceeding, but to have been a judgment at common law. If it here be contended that the District Court had no jurisdiction, and that if it had, then the dismissal of the appeal by the Circuit Court was erroneous.

J. Phillips for plaintiff in error; C. H. Hill for Government.

COMMON PLEAS—TRIAL TERM—PART II.

Before Judge Larremore and a Jury.

A PARTY WALL LITIGATION.

Joseph H. Cockroft vs. *Peter Moller.*—The parties to this action are owners of adjoining lots, the defendant acquiring his title under a contract that when he built he would pay half the cost of the party-wall already erected by plaintiff. Defendant did build, but used only a portion of the wall. For the portion used plaintiff demanded $5,000, which was refused, and suit being commenced to recover the amount, defendant deposited $1,700 in court as all he believed himself liable to pay. The jury found in favor of plaintiff for $2,993 95, including interest.

FAMILY MARKETING.

Washington Market prices fluctuated to a perceptible extent during the past week, especially in Vegetables, Meats, and Poultry. Beef declined from 2c. to 4c. ₱ lb. The following were the quotations yesterday:

MEATS.			
Porterhouse S'k., lb.	36@ ..	Loin, lb.	$ 15@$ 25
Sirloin Steak, lb.	26@ ..	Pigs' Tongues, lb.	10@ ..
Round Steak	24@ ..	Beef Tongues	1 00@1 25
Stewing pieces	15@ ..	Bacon, lb.	16@ ..
Rump	30@ ..	Tripe, lb.	8@ ..
Mutton, hind qr's	17@18	Lard, lb.	15@ ..
Mutton Chops	21@22	Smoked Beef	25@ ..
Pickled Hams	15@ ..	Smok'd Hams, lb.	16@ ..
FISH.			
California Salmon	50@ ..	Smelts, lb.	15@ 20
Codfish	10@15	Salted Bass, lb.	15@ 25
Fresh Shad	25@75	Prostfish, lb.	10@ ..
Halibut, lb.	15@20	Blackfish, lb.	12@ 16
Perch	10@12½	Eels, lb.	25@ 30
Sunfish	10@ ..	Carp, lb.	15@ 20
Flounders	8@10	Brook Trout, lb.	75@1 25
Pickerel	15@20		
SMOKED AND SHELL FISH.			
Smoked Mackerel, lb.	18@ ..	Oysters, large	
Dried Cod, lb.	9@10	gallon	$1 50@$2 00
Smoked Salmon, lb.	20@ ..	Oysters, small,	
Smoked Eels, lb.	25@ ..	gallon	75@ 1 00
Smoked California		Hard Clams,	
Salmon, lb.	18@20	per gallon	50@ 75
Smoked Halifax Salmon, lb.	18@20	Soft-shl Clams, gallon	40@ 50
Split Mackerel, each	12@25	Boiled Crabs, dozen	50@ ..
Pickled Lobsters, lb.	25@ ..	Hrd-shl Crabs, dozen	50@ ..
Smoked Blgst, each	3@ ..	Shrimps, lb.	25@ ..
Friesche Buecklinge, each	6@ ..		
POULTRY AND GAME.			
Fowls, lb.	18@$ 25	Wild Duck, pair	65@ 75
Spring chicken, pair	1 50@2 00	English Snipe, dozen	2 00@2 50
Philadelphia chickens, pair	2@2 25	Common Turkey, lb.	18@ 22
Philadelphia turkey	20@ 25	Geese, lb.	16@ 22
Tamed Squab, dozen	4 00@5 00	Pigeon, dozen	2 00@2 25
Tame Duck	22@ 28	Plight Pig, doz.	3 00@4 00
		Capon, lb.	38@ 40
		Grandt	2 00@2 50
VEGETABLES.			
Turnips, hf pk.	10@ 20	New Tomatoes, quart	75@1 25
Potatoes, peck	20@ 25	Asparagus, bunch	15@ 25
Potatoes, bu.	1 25@ ..	Rhubard, bunch	15@ 18
Sweet Potatoes, peck	20@ ..	Cranberries, qt.	25@ 45
Squashes, each	10@ 15	Onions, qt.	25@ 40
Thyme, bunch	2@ 5	Onions, hf pk.	60@ 70
Cabbage, head	10@ 12	Onions, quart	15@ 18
Leeks, bunch	8@ 10	Lettuce, head	10@ 15
Beets, bunch	10@ 12	Beets, hf pk.	50@ 55
Radishes, qt.	3@ 8	New Carrots	6@ 12
Green Peas, hp.	40@ 50	Sage, bunch	4@ ..
Dry Tomatoes, quart	25@ ..	Winter cresses, quart	15@ 20
Strawberries, quart	75@1 00		
BUTTER, LARD, AND CHEESE.			
Best Family Butter	40@45	Eggs	10 for 25@ ..
Common Butter	35@40	Cheese, ₱ lb.	15@18
PICKLES.			
Chow-chow, quart	20@25	Onions, quart	25@ ..
Mixed Pickles	20@ ..	Red Cabbage, quart	20@ ..
Cauliflower, quart	25@ ..	White Onions, quart	25@ ..

LIVE STOCK MARKET.

NEW-YORK, Friday, April 17, 1874.

Trade in Beeves on yesterday and to-day was small, and at noon to-day the markets closed weak, with a low tone of Beeves unsold. Prices on both days ranged from 12c. ₱ lb. for poor quality to 16c. for prime, or from 6@12c. ₱ lb.; from 56 lbs. to 57 lbs. was allowed to the cwt. net. Milch Cows sold from $40@$70 ₱ head; trade slow. Veals sold from 7½c. @9c. ₱ lb. Buffalo from 3c. @5½c. ₱ lb.; market continues firm in price but slow of sale. Wooly Sheep sold from 8c. @8¼c. ₱ lb.; shorn sheep from 5½c. @6c. ₱ lb.; Spring Lambs at 16c. ₱ lb. Several cars of Sheep stood over unsold. Trade in Live Hogs is merely nominal; values of same are quoted from 5½c. @6¼c. ₱ lb.; City-dressed closed firm on yesterday afternoon at 7¾c. ₱ lb. and opened to-day at 7½c. ₱ lb., with tops held for 8c. ₱ lb. In the course of the afternoon, owing to the wetness of the weather, the market became less active and less strong, and general sales were effected at 7¾c. ₱ lb.

SALES.

M. Goldschmidt sold for Morris, Waixels & Co. 180 Illinois Steers, from fair to good, from 11¼c. @12¾c. ₱ lb., weights from 6¾ cwt. to 8¼ cwt. W. Thompson sold for Morris, Waixels & Co. 122 Illinois Steers, from common to fair, from 10½c. @11¾c. ₱ lb., weights from 6¼ cwt. to 8 cwt. B. Waizel sold for self & Co. 18 common Illinois Steers at 10¾c. ₱ lb., weight 6¾ cwt.; 13 scarge Illinois Steers at 10¾c. ₱ lb., and $1 on ₱ head, weight 7 cwt.; 40 fair Illinois Steers at 11¼c. ₱ lb., weight 6¾ cwt., 50c. ₱ head was allowed off on this lot; 32 fair Illinois Steers at 11c. ₱ lb., weight 6¾ cwt.; 48 fair Illinois Steers at 11¼c. ₱ lb., weight 7¼ cwt.; 18 fair Illinois Steers at 11¾c. ₱ lb., and $1 on ₱ head, weight 7¼ cwt. Coney & McPherson sold for selves 227 Illinois Steers, from common to good, from 10¾c. @11¾c. ₱ lb., weight 6¾ cwt. Martin, Fuller & Co. sold for selves 19 fair Missouri Steers at 11¾c. ₱ lb., weight 7¼ cwt.; held on sale 3 carloads of good quality Missouri Steers. H. Meyer sold for J. S. Alexander 61 Illinois Steers, from fair to good, from 11c. @12c. ₱ lb., weights from 6¾ cwt. to 8¼ cwt.; held on sale 55 good quality Illinois Steers.

At Hamilton Square, N. J., N. Fidcock sold 253 shorn Sheep, weight 17,450 lbs., at 5½c. ₱ lb.; 20 shorn Lamby Sheep, weight 1,310 lbs., at 6c. ₱ lb.; 68 woolly Illinois Sheep, weight 6,580 lbs., at 8c. ₱ lb.; 155 woolly Ohio Sheep, weight 15,000 lbs., at 8¼c. ₱ lb.; 27 Ohio Spring Lambs, weight 410 lbs., at 16c. ₱ lb. Held on sale 5 cars of Sheep. F. Kase & Sons sold on sale 3 cars of Sheep.

WHOLESALE PRICES OF DRESSED MEATS.

This branch of trade continues slow and small. City Dressed Beef, in sides, 6c. @10½c. ₱ lb.; for Quarters, 7c. @12c. ₱ lb.; Hind-quarters, 11c. @12c. 2c. 213c. ₱ lb.; Ribs, 15c. @16c. 2c. 17c.; Dressed Mutton, 8c. @9c. ₱ lb.; selected lots 12½c. ₱ lb.; City-dressed Spring Lambs from $7@$10 ₱ head; City-dressed Veal, from 11c. @14c. ₱ lb.; Country-dressed Veal, from 9c. @13c. ₱ lb. Western Dressed Beef had to be cut to force sales; prices from 7c. @9c. ₱ lb.

RECEIPTS.

Fresh arrivals at Harsimus Cove for yesterday and to-day—2,316 head of Horned Cattle, 2,716 Sheep, 2,970 Hogs.

BUFFALO, N. Y., April 17.—Cattle—Receipts to-day, including six cars reported to arrive, 510 head, making the total supply for the week thus far 8,885 head, or 505 cars, against 492 cars for the same time last week; there were no sales to-day; all fresh arrivals were through consignments; all the Cattle remaining unsold were shipped East in first hands; the yards are clear of stock. Sheep and Lambs—Receipts to-day, including reported arrivals, 7,400 head, making the total supply for the week thus far 11,600 head, against 11,800 head for the same time last week; the market closed heavy at $6 50@$7 75 for Western Sheep; all the stock in the yards, save one load of clipped Ohio, were sold. Hogs—Receipts to-day, including 33 cars reported to arrive, 6,400 head, making the total supply for the week thus far 21,100 head, against 13,300 head for the same time last week; the market ruled higher, with a more abundant supply of good Hogs; Yorkers, $5 25@$5 87½; Heavy Hogs, $5 62½@$5 25.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., April 17.—Receipts for three days ending April 16—Cattle, 750; Hogs, 2,160. Shipments—Cattle, 320; Hogs, 1,740. Corn-fed Texas Beeves, $4@$4 70; Cows, $2 75@$3 25; Wintered Colorado Steers, $3@$3 50. Hogs—Sacred, light average, $4 50; smooth, heavy, $4 80. Cattle dull and heavy; Hogs brisk and active.

THE STATE OF TRADE.

CHICAGO, April 17.—Flour—Demand good at full prices; sales of Extra Spring at $5 75@$6 for good to choice. Wheat quiet and weak, for Regular at $1 32½ @$1 32¾ for No. 1 Spring; $1 27 for No. 2 do., cash; $1 26½@$1 26¾ for No. 2 do., May; $1 28¾ June; 2c. @3c. $1 20½@$1 20¾ Minnesota Spring firm and in fair demand at $1 35 for No. 1; $1 27½@$1 30 for No. 2. Corn opened firm, but closed dull and easier, at 54c. for No. 2 Mixed, spot; 55½c., May; 66¾c., June; New No. 2 Mixed, 64¼c.; Rejected Old, 63½c. @64c.; new, 63c. Oats quiet and weak at 45¾c. @46c. for No. 2, cash; 46¾c., May. Rye steady at 83c. for No. 2. Barley steady at $1 65@$1 68 for No. 2 Spring. Pork active and higher at $16 40@$16 45, cash or May; $16 70 June. Lard steady at $9 70, cash or May; $9 90 June. Bulk Meats active and higher at 6c. for Shoulders; 8½c. for Short Rib Middles; 9½c. @9¾c. for Short Clear do.; all loose, spot. Bacon steady and unchanged. Whisky steady at 94½c., generally held at 95c. Freights steady; Corn to Buffalo, 5c. Receipts—13,000 bbls. Flour, 63,000 bushels Wheat, 113,000 bushels Corn, 40,000 bushels Oats, 2,000 bushels Rye, and 2,000 bushels Barley. Shipments—7,000 bbls. Flour, 137,000 bushels Wheat, 31,000 bushels Corn, 42,000 bushels Oats, and 2,000 bushels Barley.

ST. LOUIS, April 17.—Flour firm for low and medium grades at unchanged prices. Wheat firm and higher; No. 2 Fall at $1 29@$1 29 for No. 2 Spring; $1 54@$1 56 for No. 2 Red Winter. Corn firmer at 66¾c. for No. 2 Mixed, on track. Oats firm and in fair demand at 50c. @51c. for No. 2, in elevator. Barley firm at $1 30@ $1 55 for choice. Rye firm at 77c. for No. 2. Whisky higher at 95c. Pork firm at $16 75. Dry-salted Meats very firm; some sales higher; sales of Clear Sides at 9c. @9¼c.; seller May; Bacon firm at country points held at 9¾c. for Shoulders; 8½c. for Clear Rib Sides; 9c. for Clear Sides. Bacon firm; Clear Sides sold at 89 90, May; small cash lots at 9c. for Shoulders; 9¾c. for Clear Rib Sides; 10¼c. for Clear Sides. Lard held at 9¾c. Hogs held at $4 70 @$5 10 for Light; $5 10@$5 35 for Bacon; $5 40@ $5 75 for Heavy. Cattle quiet at 2c. @3c. lower; 25c. for Native Cows and Heifers; $4 50 for Fair Butchers'; $5@ $6 37½ for good to extra steers. Receipts—3,000 bbls. Flour, 12,000 bushels Wheat, 22,000 bushels Corn, 12,000 bushels Oats, 2,000 bushels Barley, and 2,000 Hogs.

BALTIMORE, April 17.—Flour strong, in good demand, and unchanged. Wheat firmer; choice White $1 35; fair to prime do., $1 65@$1 80; choice Amber, $1 85; good to prime Red, $1 75@$1 80; common to fair do., $1 45@$1 70; Pennsylvania Red, $1 78; Western Spring, $1 53@$1 58. Corn quiet and steady; sales of Southern White at 88c.; Southern Yellow 86c. @87c.; Western Mixed, new, 85c. @86c. Oats dull and quiet; Southern, 67c. @72c.; Western, 64c. @67c. Rye firm at $1@$1 05. Hay unchanged. Provisions firm and advancing. Pork firm at $17 25@$17 50. Bacon meats, no sales and little offering; Shoulders, 6¾c.; Clear Rib Sides, 9c. Bacon firm and active; Shoulders, 7¾c.; Clear Rib sides, 10c. Sugar-cured Hams, 14c.@ 15c. Lard firm at 10¼c. Western Butter unchanged; New Tub sold at 30c. @34c. Coffee a shade firmer and more doing at unchanged prices. Whisky firmer at $1 @$1 01.

BUFFALO, N. Y., April 17.—Imports for the past twenty-four hours: Flour, 5,800 bushels; Wheat, 27,-977 bushels; Corn, 31,192 bushels; Oats, 30,100 bushels; Barley, 2,500 bushels; Peas, 300 bushels. Exports—Wheat, 19,000 bushels; Corn, 24,000 bushels; Oats, 28,700 bushels. Flour quiet; Western Spring, $6 75@$7; Bakers, $7 25@$7 75; Amber Winter, $7 75@$8 25; White Winter, $8 50@$9. Wheat advanced, active; sales of 45,000 bushels Milwaukee No. 2 Spring at $1 47; 500 bushels White Canada at $1 65. Corn higher; sales of 4,000 bushels New, on track, at 82c.; 1,500 bushels New High Mixed, at 84c.; 5c. bid at close at 86c. Oats quiet; 24,500 Western held at 56c. Barley dull; Canada, $1 35@$1 90; No. 3 Western, $1 56. Rye nominal at $1 05. Barley-malt firm; Canada, $1 90@$2 10; Western, $1 85@ $1 90. Other articles unchanged.

ALBANY, N. Y., April 17.—Wheat—Good milling demand, and higher prices rule; sales, 3 cars of White Canada at $1 95, being an advance of 5c. Rye firm at $1 10 for State, in store. Corn—Fair to good demand; sales of car lots No. 2 new High Mixed Western at 87c. Barley and Malt quiet. Oats firm. The Cattle market opened dull; receipts, 523 car-loads. Calves, 13 cars less than last week; what few sales made show a decline of 2c. ₱ lb., live weight. Milch Cows, $52@$55. The market for Sheep and Lambs was dull, with 4c. ₱ lb. off on all grades except extra; 6c. @6 75c. ₱ lb. for extra. Hogs firmer; 7¾c. @7¾c. for fair to good; 8¾c. @8¾c. for extras. The market for Veals was steady at ½c. off. The market for Hogs was dull; $5 95 for Hogs averaging 175, and $5 70 for Hogs averaging 160 lbs.; store Hogs dull at $5 50@$7.

PHILADELPHIA, April 17.—Wool firm and scarce; Ohio, Pennsylvania, and West Virginia, Double Extra and choice, 46c. @47½c.; Extra, 45c. @46c.; Medium, 43c. @45c.; Coarse, 40c. @42c.; New-York, Michigan, Indiana, and Western, fine, 50c. @52½c.; Medium, 53c. @55c.; Coarse, 45c. @50c.; Combing, washed, 49c. @50c.; Combing, unwashed, 42½c. @43c. Canada Combing, 62c. @65c.; Fine, unwashed, 35c. @38c.; Coarse and medium, unwashed, 35c. @38c.; Tub-washed, 54c. @57½c.; Colorado, washed, 25c. @30c.; Colorado, unwashed, 21c. @23c.; Extra and Medium, Pulled, 45c. @ 50c.; No. 1 and Super, Pulled, 43c. @48c.; Texas, Fine and Medium, 25c. @30c.; Texas, Coarse, 21c. @25c.; California, Fine and Medium, 26c. @33c.; California, Coarse, 25c. @28c.

OSWEGO, N. Y., April 17.—Flour unchanged; sales of 1,300 bbls. at $7 75 for No. 1 Spring; $8 75 for Amber Winter; $9 25 for White Winter; $9 75 for Double Extra. Wheat in fair demand; sales of 20,000 bushels prime White Canada at $1 80@$1 81; 4,500 bushels choice do. at $1 85; 2,000 bushels common White Western at $1 65; 2 cars Amber Michigan at $1 66; 2 cars No. 1 Milwaukee Club at $1 81. Corn quiet; 2 cars prime, York, held at $818 for Prime. Oats dull; held at $1 40. Hay dull at $18 for Prime. Pork dull; held at $17 50. Dry-salted Meats unchanged. Bacon active and higher at 7½c. for Shoulders, 9¾c. for Clear Rib Sides, 10¼c. @10¾c. for Clear Sides. Hams sold at 12½c. @13c. Lard firm at 9½c. @10c. for Tierce, 10¾c. @10¾c. for Keg. Sugar dull at 7¼c. @7½c. for good Fair, 8c. for fully Fair to Prime. Molasses—Nothing done. Whisky sold at 93c. for Inwardians. Coffee quiet at 21¼c. @22c. Corn-meal scarce and higher at $3 75@$3 85.

TOLEDO, April 17.—Flour firm and in fair demand. Wheat opened firm, but closed dull; sales of No. 3 White Wabash at $1 52½; No. 1 White Michigan, $1 61; Extra, $1 71; Amber Michigan, $1 51½; May, $1 53½; No. 2 Red, $1 51¾@$1 51¾. Corn opened firm, but closed dull at 73¾c. for High Mixed; May, 72c.; June, 73¾c.; low Mixed, 73c.; no grade, 73c. Oats firm and in fair demand. Clover-seeds sold at $5 80; Mammoth, $6. Receipts—13,000 bushels Wheat, 24,000 bushels Corn, and 4,000 bushels Oats. Shipments—1,000 bbls. Flour, 20,000 bushels Wheat, 81,-000 bushels Corn, and 5,000 bushels Oats.

MILWAUKEE, April 17.—Flour quiet and unchanged. Wheat dull; sales of No. 1 at $1 38; No. 2, $1 21; May, $1 31¾; June, $1 31¾. Oats steady at 45¾c. for No. 2. Corn firm and in fair demand at 84c. for No. 2 Mixed. Rye steady at 90c. for No. 1. Barley dull and unchanged at $1 60 for No. 2 Spring; $1 40 for No. 3 do. Provisions easy. Pork sold at $16 25. Hams to pickle firm at 10½c. @11c. Dry-salted Meats sold at 6c. for Shoulders, loose. Lard held firm at 10c. for Kettle, 9¾c. for Steam. Receipts—6,000 bbls. Flour, 36,-000 bushels Wheat. Shipments—9,000 bbls. Flour, 98,-000 bushels Wheat.

PHILADELPHIA, April 17.—Flour firm; Superfine, $5@$5 50; Extras, $6@$6 50; Wisconsin and Minnesota Extra Family, $6 75@$7 50; State, Indiana, and Ohio do., $7 50@$8 25; High Grades, $8 50@$11 25. Wheat in good demand; Red, $1 68@$1 70; Amber, $1 80@$1 85; White, $1 85@$1 90. Rye held $1@ $1 03. Corn in fair demand; sales, Yellow at 90c. @ 90c.; White, 87c. @88c. Oats steady; White, 63c. @ 65c.; Mixed, 60c. @62c. Petroleum firm; Crude, 11c.; Refined, 15¼c. @15¾c. Whisky held at 98c. for Western, in bond.

LOUISVILLE, April 17.—Flour firm and in fair demand at $7 for A No. 1. Wheat quiet and unchanged. Corn quiet and unchanged at 70c. Oats quiet and unchanged at 56c. @60c. Provisions in fair demand and higher. Pork sold at $17. Bulk Meats sold at 6¼c. for Shoulders, 8¾c. for Clear Rid Sides, 9c. for Clear Sides. Bacon sold at 7¾c. for Shoulders, 9¼c. for Clear Rib Sides, 9¾c. for Clear Sides. Sugar-cured Hams sold at 12½c. @13½c. Lard firmer at 10c. @10¼c. for Tierce, 10¾c. @11c. for Keg. Whisky easier at 93c.

CLEVELAND, April 17.—Wheat firm and in fair demand at $1 56 for No. 1 Red Winter; $1 47 for No. 2. Corn quiet but firm at 76c. for Low Mixed; 77c. for High do.; 72¾@73c. for Ear, on track. Oats firm at 55c. for No. 1 State and Western; 53c. for No. 2 do.; 45c. for White. Petroleum quiet and weak at 12½c. @ 12¾c. for Standard White, in car lots; 15c. @15½c. for State Test.

DETROIT, April 17.—Wheat steady at $1 70 for Extra, $1 60 for No. 1 White. Corn steady at 77c. Oats in good demand. Receipts—1,000 bbls. Flour, 7,000 bushels Wheat, and 1,000 bushels Corn. Shipments—2,000 bushels Wheat.

WILMINGTON, N. C., April 17.—Spirits of Turpentine firm at 40c. Resin firm; $2 10 for Strained. Crude Turpentine steady; $2 for hard, $3 for Yellow Dip, $3 50 for Virgin. Tar steady at $1 80.

AN ECONOMICAL REPORTER'S CIGAR.

The Baltimore *Gazette* says that there was some alarm at a meeting of the School Board of that city a day or two ago, caused by the sudden discovery of a volume of smoke near the door. An examination brought to light the fact that an umbrella had caught fire, and before it could be extinguished nothing but the charred stem and iron ribs remained. The umbrella had been placed near the door a few minutes before by a member of the press [2000 Known as an inveterate smoker. He had thought[illegible] hidden away in the folds of the umbrella a partially-smoked Havana, from which the fine gingham covering ignited. The umbrella, the *Gazette* adds, "was prized by the owner far beyond its intrinsic value, having been presented to him for his accurate reports of the Baltimore Schnetzenfest a year or two ago."

THE REAL ESTATE MARKET.

At the Exchange yesterday, Friday, April 17, E. A. Lawrence & Co., by order of the Supreme Court in foreclosure, under the direction of Edward D. Gale, Esq., Referee, sold the premises No. 34 John street, south side, 22.2 feet east of Nassau street, embracing a lot 15 by 52.10 by 15.4 by 51.10, with a portion of the five-story brick building, situated on the corner of John and Nassau streets thereon, covering the lot sold, for $18,000, cash. The purchaser of the property was George Chesterman. The portion of the building sold rents at the rate of $3,300 per annum, so that it will be seen that at the price disposed of the property sold at a great bargain. Hugh N. Camp also sold, to close out an interest in a mortgage by order of Henry Nalor et al., a plot of nine lots, in size 223.3 by 100, with frame building on same situate on East One Hundred and Ninth street, south side, 202.9 feet west of First avenue, for $17,500, the buyer being Henry Nalor, the owner of the mortgage. The legal sale by Mr. Camp of the premises No. 228 Pearl street was adjourned to May 1, and the legal sale by A. J. Bleecker, Son & White of a house and lot on First avenue, south of Eighty-eighth street, was also adjourned to the same date. Nothing further worthy of note occurred.

The legal sale noticed for Thursday by Dinges, Porter & Co., of 400 lots, comprised in the "Halstead Estate," located at Rye, Westchester County, to take place on the property, was adjourned to a day to be subsequently announced.

TO-DAY'S SALES.

The auctions billed for to-day, all at the Exchange, are the following:

By Benjamin P. Fairchild, Supreme Court foreclosure sale, Oliver W. West, Esq., Referee, of a lot 23 by 100, with brick store and tenement-house, on 25 by 100 upon the front thereof, and a five-story brick tenement-house 25 by 25 in the rear, situate on East Twenty-first street, north side, 300 feet west of First avenue.

By E. A. Lawrence & Co., Supreme Court foreclosure sale, Edward D. Gale, Esq., Referee, of a house, with lot 23 by 100.5 on East Sixtieth street, south side, 100 feet east of Lexington avenue.

By Jere. Johnson, Jr., Supreme Court foreclosure sale of a house, with lot 25 by 90, at West Thirty-eighth street, south side, 200 feet west of Tenth avenue.

By Joseph McGuire, Supreme Court foreclosure sale, G. U. Reynolds, Esq., Referee, of a house, with lot 20 by 100.11, in East One Hundred and Eleventh street, south side, 140 feet west of Second avenue.

By E. H. Ludlow & Co., Supreme Court foreclosure sale, George W. Poucher, Esq., Referee, of a house, with plot 58 by 140, located at Tremont, (Twenty-fourth Ward,) and situate on Washington avenue, south-east corner of Eight street.

EXCHANGE SALES, FRIDAY, APRIL 17.

NEW-YORK.

By E. A. Lawrence & Co.

Premises No. 34 John st., s. s., 22.2 feet e. of Nassau st., comprising a lot, with portion of five-story brick building thereon covering same, in size 15x52.10x15.4x51.10.....$18,000

By Hugh N. Camp.

Nine lots, East 109th st., s. s., 202.9 feet w. of 1st av., together with plot in size 222.3x 100. Sold in one parcel.....$17,000

RECORDED REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

NEW-YORK.

Thursday, April 18.

Barclay st., No. 3, 25x75.....$5,000
Bleecker st., e. s., 120.11 ft. n. of Carmine st., 20.11x100.3.....16,450
Clinton st., w. s., 200 ft. s. of Stanton st., 15.1x 100.....28,000
Lewis st., w. s., 180 ft. n. of Stanton st., 20x100 14,655
Madison st., No. George McKelvey, 18.8x100.....10,000
Madison st., n. w. s., 48.7 ft. n. e. New-Bowery, at point 61.6 n. of Madison st., thence n. 37.3 ft., thence e. 69.2 ft. to Madison st., thence s. w. 29.10 ft.....3,000
4th st., e. s., 79.6 ft. n. of Bank st., 20x75..... 11,800
6th st., n. s., 218 ft. e. of Avenue B, 50x92.10.. 28,000
12th st., n. s., 213 ft. e. of 1st av., 24.4x92.3; Stuyvesant st., s. s., 158.6 ft. s. of 1st av., 25 x70.5.....16,000
16th st., n. s., 142 ft. s. w. of 3d av., 25x92.....16,000
25th st., s. s., 206.4 w. of 10th av., 16.8x91.....7,500
25th st., s. s., 179.9 ft. e. of 4th av., 20.3x98.8.. 25,000
25th st., n. s., 125 ft. w. of 1st av., 25x98.9..... 4,600
25th st., n. s., 125 ft. e. of 6th av., 17x98.9..... 13,250
35th st., n. s., 155 ft. w. of 3d av., 22x98.9..... 42,500
46th st., s. s., 100 ft. e. of 10th av., 50x100.4.... 14,000
49th st., n. s., 68.3 ft. w. of 1st av., 18.9x100.... 9,000
56th st., No. 29, West, n. s., 385 ft. w. of 5th av., 17.6x100.5.....44,000
75th st., s. s., 240 ft. w. of 2d av., 20x102.2..... 24,500
115th st., s. s., 245 ft. w. of 5th av., 100x 100.11.....20,000
Madison av., e. s., 62.6 ft. n. of 79th st., 20x77. 35,000
1st av., n. w. corner 51st st., thence n. 23.1 ft., thence n. w. 229.8 ft. to point 65.4 ft. n. of 51st st., thence s. 65.4 ft., to n. s. 51st st., thence e. 225 ft. to beginning.....21,000
8th av., No. 610, e. s., 74.1 ft. s. of 40th st., 25.2 x75.....24,250

LEASES RECORDED.

Bleecker st., No. 55, 5 years, per year.....$1,500
Bleecker st., No. 56, 10 years, per year..... 1,600
New Bowery, No. 21, store, &c., 3 years, per year..... 1,030
24th st., No. 13 West, 15 years, 5 years, per year, $4,500; 10 years, per year.....5,000
24th st., No. 15 West, 15 years, 5 years, per year, $4,000; 10 years, per year..... 4,500
23d av., 296, 15 years, per year..... 1,600
8th av., No. 110, store and basement, 5 years, per year..... 1,000

CITY REAL ESTATE.

NO. 144 WEST 22D ST.—FOR SALE, A VERY desirable three-story brick, 20.10x45 feet, with a two-story brick extension 14 feet deep. The house is in perfect order, and now occupied by the owner. Possession can be had on or before the 1st of May if desired. Price very low, and terms easy.

E. H. LUDLOW & CO., No. 3 Pine st. and No. 35 East 17th st.

A VERY DESIRABLE HOUSE IN 22D ST., near 6th av., for sale; now occupied by the owner, and is in excellent order; three stories, with two-story extension; will be sold at a very low price, and on easy terms, with possession on or before the 1st of May.

E. H. LUDLOW & CO., No. 3 Pine st.

BARGAIN.—BROADWAY STORE FOR SALE—NO. 768 Broadway, near A. T. Stewart's upper store. Ground, Base Burning, Heating. Lease years to run; lot about 28x100 feet; possession May 1, 1874.

HOMER MORGAN, No. 2 Pine st.

$150,000 building, paying $18,000 now on an advancing lease; will pay $20,000 in three years; lease twelve years; $75,000 cash. Address Post Office Box No. 3,635.

FOR SALE OR TO RENT—FURNISHED OR unfurnished, on Park av., near 38th st., a first-class modern-finished, four-story high-stoop brown-stone house about 17x60x80.

HOMER MORGAN, No. 2 Pine st.

AT HARLEM, NOS. 9 AND 11, ON 123D ST.—Two small brown-stone houses, 175 feet from Mount Morris Park. Can be seen from 8 A. M. to 5 P. M. Address R. LAWRENCE, No. 102 East 111th st., owner.

FOR SALE OR TO LET—IMMEDIATE POSsession—Four-story brown-stone house, 25 feet wide, No. 130 West 42d st. Apply to A. JOURNEAY, No. 51 Lispenard st.

NO. 24 EAST 127TH ST., HARLEM.—THREE-story brown-stone house; in perfect order; every improvement; choice location; a bargain. Apply on premises, or to CHARLES RUSTON, No. 170 Broadway.

FOR SALE OR LEASE—ELEGANT NEW SWISS cottage, on Fort Hill, 4th av., New Brighton. WM. A. CROCKER, No. 150 Broadway, second story, Room No. 2, or PHILIP S. JUSTICE, No. 42 Cliff st., New-York.

FOR SALE OR RENT—HOUSE AND CARRIAGE-house on main st., Westfield, N. J., three minutes from depot; commutation $75 yearly.

PHILIP S. JUSTICE, No. 42 Cliff st., New-York.

FOR SALE—AN EXTRA WIDE HOUSE IN EAST 21st st., of peculiar construction, with or without furniture.

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FOR SALE—BROWN-STONE HOUSE AND LOT No. 126 West 33d st. Apply on the premises.

FOR SALE—AN UNUSUALLY FINE AND EXTRA wide house in 22d st. HOMER MORGAN, 2 Pine st.

BROOKLYN REAL ESTATE.

I HAVE A TWO-STORY AND BASEMENT brick, and three story, basement, brown stone, I will sell $2,500 less than cost. Inquire of CHAPMAN, PRATT & CO., 187 Fulton st., Brooklyn.

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SEA-SIDE RESIDENCE AT THE WEST END OF LONG BRANCH FOR SALE, ADJOINING PRESIDENT GRANT'S COTTAGE ON THE SOUTH.

Extra large and fine sea lot; large house, containing eighteen rooms, water, bath-room, laundry, &c.; furnished; large stable.

Price low to a prompt buyer.

F. G. & C. S. BROWN, No. 90 Broadway.

FOR SALE—HOUSE AND LOT, NEWARK, N. J.—Murray st., near South Broad; lot 25x100; well and cistern; house and extension; both two and one-half stories; gas, &c.; terms easy; price $6,250.

GEO. W. DAVIS, No. 31 Warren st., New-York.

AT TARRYTOWN, ON THE HUDSON.—ONE hour from this City; handsomely furnished and unfurnished houses and cottages for sale and to let, with immediate possession; low prices. Full particulars with S. EMBERSON, No. 659 6th av.

HUDSON RIVER REAL ESTATE.—PARTIES desiring to purchase or hire real estate on the banks of the Hudson will find full particulars as to location and prices by applying to

S. EMBERSON, No. 659 6th av.

FOR SALE—PRETTY VILLA, TEN ROOMS; LAWN, fruit and shade trees; half an acre; bay and ocean view; forty-five minutes from City; Staten Island; $8,800; terms to suit; photographic views at office.

S. P. WOOD, No. 25 William st.

FOR SALE OR TO LET—ONE OF THE MOST beautifully located cottages in Carmansville, (152d st.,) 300 feet west of Grand Boulevard; three minutes

RELIGIOUS NOTICES.

THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY, MADISON AV. AND 42D ST.
THE FEAST OF THE DEDICATION.
April 19-26, 1874.

The opening services of the new church building will be as follows:

SUNDAY, APRIL 19.

10:30 A. M.—Morning Prayer and Introductory Sermon by Rt. Rev. STEPHEN H. TYNG, Jr., D. D., Rector of the Church.

4 P. M.—Evening Prayer and Sermon by Rev. W. NEILSON McVICAR, Rector of Holy Trinity Church, Hoboken.

7:30 P. M.—Devotional service and sermon by Rev. STEPHEN H. TYNG, D. D., Rector of St. George's Church, New-York City.

MONDAY, APRIL 20.

8 P. M.—Devotional services and addresses of fellowship from neighboring Pastors. The following clergymen will take part in the exercises:

Rev. W. M. TAYLOR, D. D., of the Tabernacle Church.
Rev. T. S. HASTINGS, D. D., of the West Presbyterian Church.
Rev. W. ORMISTON, D. D., of the Collegiate Reformed Church.
Rev. W. T. SABINE, of the Church of the Atonement.
Rev. C. S. ROBINSON, D. D., of the Memorial Church.
Rev. G. H. REWORTH, of the Church of the Disciples.
Rev. W. M. POSTLEWAITE, of the Church of the Intercession.
Rev. R. S. McARTHUR, of the Calvary Baptist Church.
Rev. C. D. FOSS, D. D., of St. Paul's M. E. Church.
Rev. M. R. VINCENT, D. D., of the Church of the Covenant.
Rev. JAS. M. LUDLOW, D. D., of the Collegiate Reformed Church.

TUESDAY, April 21.

8 P. M.—The church will be open for inspection. The organist and choir will furnish suitable music.

WEDNESDAY, April 22.

8 P. M.—Evening Prayer and sermon, by Rev. THOMAS A. JAGGAR, Rector of the Church of the Holy Trinity, Philadelphia.

THURSDAY, April 23.

8 P. M.—The church will be open for inspection. The organist and choir will furnish suitable music.

FRIDAY, April 24.

8 P. M.—Evening Prayer and Sermon, by Rev. PHILLIPS BROOKS, D. D., Rector of Trinity Church, Boston, Mass.

SUNDAY, April 26.

10:30 A. M.—Morning Prayer and Tenth Anniversary Sermon, by Rev. STEPHEN H. TYNG, Jr., D. D., Rector of the church.

3:30 P. M.—Anniversary of the Sunday-schools of the Parish. Sermon by Rev. RICHARD NEWTON, D. D., Rector of Church of the Epiphany, Philadelphia, Penn.

7:30 P. M.—Devotional Service and Sermon, by Rev. EDWARD A. WASHBURN, D. D., Rector of Calvary Church, New-York City.

The pews in this church will be rented for a term of one year and six months, beginning with May 1, 1874, and ending Nov. 1, 1875.

No pews will be sold.

On Monday evening, April 27, at 8 o'clock, the choice of all the pews in the church will be sold in the church to the highest bidders.

Diagrams of the building, showing location and rent per annum of all pews, will be found at the door every evening. The church will be open for inspection every day from 9 to 6 o'clock P. M. Persons desirous of connecting themselves with the congregation, who, for any reason, may not desire to rent pews, are requested to communicate their names to the Rector, Rev. STEPHEN H. TYNG, Jr., D. D., No. 323 Madison av. Ample provision has been made for such families, of which they will be informed by correspondence.

ASSOCIATION HALL.

Sunday services, April 19: Bible Class by Dr. THOMSON from 5 to 6 o'clock. Service of Song at 7:30 o'clock, evening, followed by an address to young men by Rev. E. A. WASHBURN, D. D. Daily Union prayer meeting at 4 o'clock, P. M. Young men's meetings on Thursday and Saturday evenings.

ALLEN STREET M. E. CHURCH, BETWEEN Rivington and Delancey sts.—Rev. Wm. D. Thompson, Pastor, will preach at 10:30 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Sunday-school, 9 A. M. and 1:30 P. M.; temperance meeting, 3:15 o'clock; young people's prayer-meeting, 6 o'clock; seats free. Strangers and friends are cordially invited.

ANNIVERSARY SABBATH-SCHOOL UNION REunited Church of Christ, 5th av. and 46th st.—Rev. Howard Crosby, D. D., and E. R. Olin, Esq., and other interesting exercises. Preaching at 10:30 A. M., by the Pastor, Rev. Wm. B. Merritt. Strangers and all others cordially invited.

ALL SOULS' CHURCH, CORNER 4TH AV. and 20th st.—At 10:45 A. M. Rev. A. D. Mayo, of Springfield, Mass., will preach. Subject—"Prayer." At 7:45 P. M. Mr. Mayo will give, by request, a new lecture on "Moral Discipline in Common Schools." Teachers and all others interested cordially invited.

CHURCH OF OUR SAVIOUR.—REV. J. M. Pullman will preach at the hall of the Standard Club, No. 1,424 Broadway, corner 42d st., Sunday morning at 10:45, and evening at 7:45.

CANAL STREET PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, Union Grove st., near Canal.—Services to-morrow at 10:30, 3:30; Rev. David Mitchell, Pastor; all welcome.

DESTINY OF THE EARTH.—BISHOP SNOW, of the Church of Mount Zion, will preach in the University, Washington square, on Sunday, at 3 P. M. Seats free. Subject—"The Impending Destruction of the Earth."

EVANGELISTIC SERVICES.—REV. GEORGE D. Mathews will preach in the Madison Building, corner of 7th av. and 18th st. to-morrow forenoon at 10:30 o'clock. Rev. James Gourley, of the Free Church of Scotland, will preach in the evening, at 7:30 o'clock.

FOURTH STREET METHODIST P. CHURCH, corner of South 2d st., Williamsburg. Rev. J. J. Wittle, Pastor.—Reopening services on Sunday. Rev. Dr. Bellows will preach at 10:30 A. M. Preaching at 7:30 P. M. Regular preaching hereafter every Sunday morning and night. All are invited. Seats free.

FIRST REFORMED EPISCOPAL CHURCH of New-York.—Services at Lyric Hall, 6th av., near 41st st., Sunday evening, April 19, at 7:45 o'clock. Rev. H. M. Wigg, formerly of the Diocese of Vermont, will preach. Seats free. Strangers cordially invited.

FIVE POINTS MISSION, (SITE OF THE OLD Bowery), No. 61 Park st., the original mission at the Points, Rev. J. N. Sites, Superintendent.—Sunday-school at 9:30 A. M., and from 2 to 4 P. M. Preaching at 7:3 P. M. Come and see the children.

FOURTEENTH STREET PRESBYTERIAN Church, corner of 3d av.—Divine service next Sabbath, 19th inst. Preaching by the Pastor, Rev. Robert Sloss, at 10:30 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Bible School at 9 A. M.

FREE CHURCH SERVICES, HARVARD Rooms, 6th st. and 42d st.—Rev. C. P. Fisher, of Hope College, Michigan, will preach Sunday at 10:45 A. M. The consistory will be installed at the close of the morning services.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, 5TH av. and 11th st.—Rev. W. M. Paxton, D. D., Pastor.—Services at 10:30 A. M. and 4 P. M. Strangers cordially invited.

FIFTH AVENUE BAPTIST CHURCH, 46TH st.—Rev. Thos. Armitage, Pastor, will preach Sunday morning and evening, at 10:30 and 7:30 o'clock. All are invited.

FIFTY-THIRD STREET BAPTIST CHURCH, near 7th av.—Rev. W. H. Pendleton, Pastor, preaches morning and evening; baptism at the close of evening service; Sunday-school and Bible classes at 2 P. M.

FREE SEATS AT CHRIST CHURCH, 5TH AV., Fifth Street Presbyterian Rector, at evening service, 5:30; morning prayer, 10:30; evening prayer, lecture, 7:30; David, King and Psalmist, 4:30.

FORSYTH METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.—Preached by the Pastor, J. W. Barnhart, at 10:30 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Temperance meeting at 3:30 P. M.

RELIGIOUS NOTICES.

HARLEM.—PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF FURtans, 126th st., near 5th av.—Rev. Dr. Chester will preach in the morning, April 19; Rev. Edward L. Clark, Pastor, will preach in the evening. A cordial invitation to all.

LYRIC HALL, 6TH AV., BELOW 42D ST.—O. B. Frothingham, Preacher to the Independent Society, will speak on Sunday morning, at 10:30 A. M. Subject—"The Law of Habit." The Father's Bible class, free to all, meets at 3:30 P. M.

MADISON SQUARE PRESBYTERIAN Church.—Rev. Wm. Adams, D. D., will deliver a discourse on Sunday morning, 19th inst., appropriate to the close of his pastorate of nearly forty years in this City. Former members of this church and of the old Central Presbyterian Church in Broome st. are cordially invited to be present. By order of Session.

E. M. KINGSLEY, Clerk.

MADISON AVENUE REFORMED CHURCH, corner 57th st.—Preaching by the Pastor, Rev. M. D. Gause, at 11 A. M., subject—"Prayer and Providence in Little Things," and at 4 P. M., subject—"Duty in Little Things."

MIDDLE COLLEGIATE REFORMED CHURCH, Lafayette Place, corner 4th st., near Broadway.—Rev. J. Pascal Strong will preach at 10:30 A. M. and 4 P. M.

NEW-YORK SUNDAY-SCHOOL ASSOCIAtion.—Monthly meeting Monday evening next, at 7:30 o'clock, in Fourth Avenue Presbyterian Church, corner 22d st. An address on the "Relation of Parent and Teacher," will be given by Rev. J. Clement French, and the lesson for April 26—"The Tabernacle Set Up," will be taught by Rev. J. T. Duryea, D. D.

NEW-YORK PORT SOCIETY.—PREACHING in the Mariner's Church, Sunday, at 10:45 A. M. and 7:30 P. M., by the Pastor, Rev. E. D. Murphy, and at 3 o'clock at No. 278 Water st., by Associate Pastor, Rev. Benj. F. Millard.

OLD JOHN STREET M. E. CHURCH, BEtween Nassau and William sts.—Preaching by Rev. N. G. Chesley, Pastor, at 10:30 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Seats free; all cordially invited.

REV. DR. J. B. WAKELEY, PASTOR, will preach in the Lexington Avenue M. E. Church, corner of 52d st., on Sunday morning, at 10:30, an introductory sermon to the new Conference year, theme—"How Beautiful upon the Mountains," &c.; evening, 7:30—"Ambassadors for Christ."

REV. DR. DOWLING WILL PREACH AT the Tabernacle Baptist Church, Hicks st., Brooklyn, Sunday forenoon, by request of the ladies, a sermon on behalf of their Church Improvement Association. This will be Dr. Dowling's last sermon in this church before their new Pastor comes. Take the Court street cars.

REV. JOSEPH F. ELDER, PASTOR, WILL preach in the Madison Avenue Baptist Church, corner 31st st., at 10:30 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Sunday-school at 9 A. M. Theme for the evening, No. 8 of the series of sermons on the "Pilgrim Progress"—"The Delectable Mountain." A cordial welcome will be given to all.

REV. SAMUEL M. HAMILTON, PASTOR, will preach in the Scotch Presbyterian Church, 14th st., between 6th and 6th avs., to-morrow at 11:30 A. M. and 4 P. M. Lecture on Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock.

REV. J. G. OAKLEY, THE NEWLY-APPOINTed Pastor of the Hope M. E. Church, 125th st., near 6th av., Harlem, will preach Sunday at 10:30 A. M. and 7:45 P. M. Sunday-school, at 3 P. M., will be addressed by the Pastor and other eminent speakers. Seats free.

REV. L. H. KING, D. D., THE NEWLY-APpointed Pastor, will preach in the Free Tabernacle M. E. Church, 34th st., between 7th and 8th avs., Sunday, at 10:30 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Seats free.

REV. W. H. BOOLE, PASTOR, WILL PREACH in Seventeenth Street M. E. Church, between 1st and 2d avs., Sunday morning and evening. Temperance prayer-meeting 4 P. M.

REV. W. P. CORBIT WILL PREACH IN THE 8th Seventh Street M. E. Church, between 2d and 3d ave., on Sunday at 10:30 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Seats free, and strangers always made welcome.

REV. ROBERT CAMERON WILL PREACH next Sunday evening, at 7:30, in Church of the Disciples, 28th st., near Broadway. Baptism at close of service. All are cordially invited.

REV. S. S. LAWS, D. D., LL. D., WILL preach at the West Twenty-third Street Presbyterian Church, Sunday, at 10:30 A. M., and Rev. George Smyth, at 7:30 P. M.

REV. J. F. McCLELLAND, PASTOR, WILL preach in St. Luke's Methodist Episcopal Church, 41st st., near 6th av., on Sunday morning, at 10:30 o'clock. An invitation extended to all.

REV. G. C. BERAY WILL PREACH IN ST. Luke's Methodist Episcopal Church, 41st, near 6th av., on Sunday evening, at 7:30 o'clock. Seats free, and all are welcome.

REV. J. B. WILLIAMS WILL PREACH IN THE Fourth Reformed Presbyterian Church, West 48th st., between 8th and 9th avs., on Sabbath at 10:30 o'clock A. M. and 3:30 o'clock P. M.

REV. MR. McKEE, FROM OHIO, WILL PREACH in the Jane Street U. P. Church Sunday at 10:30 and 3:30 o'clock.

REV. D. HENRY MILLER, D. D., PREACHES in Plymouth Baptist Church, 51st st., west of 9th av., Sunday, at 10:30 A. M. and 7:30 P. M.

REV. E. A. WASHBURN, D. D., WILL SPEAK to young men, at Association Hall, Sunday evening at 8 o'clock.

SECOND ADVENT CHURCH, COOPER INSTItute, Room No. 24.—Preaching to-morrow (sunday,) by Elder John K. Cook, at 10:30 A. M. and 3 P. M., on subjects connected with the Second Coming of Christ, and final reign on earth. Come and hear. Seats free.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, HARLEM, (127TH st. and 4th av.).—Rev. R. Heber Newton, Rector of the Anthon Memorial, will preach in this church Sunday evening, April 19, at 7:30. Morning service at 10:30, with sermon by the Rector.

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SIXTY-FIRST STREET M. E. CHURCH.—Preaching on Sunday at 10:30 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. by our new Pastor, Rev. Dr. Crook. Sunday-school at 9 and 2 o'clock. Young people's prayer-meeting at 6:30.

ST. PAUL'S M. E. CHURCH, 4TH AV. AND 22D St.—Rev. Dr. Hurst, Free dent of Drew Seminary, will preach on Sunday, 19th inst., at 10:30 A. M. and 7:30 P. M.

ST. JOHN'S M. E. CHURCH, 53D ST., BEtween Broadway and 8th av. Preaching Sunday morning at 10:30 o'clock, by Rev. Geo. C. Reay.

THE NEW-YORK SUNDAY-SCHOOL ASsociation meeting for the study of the lesson, next Tuesday afternoon, at 4 o'clock, in the Fulton Street Prayer-meeting Rooms, will be conducted by Rev. Robert Cameron. Lesson for Sunday, April 26, "The Tabernacle Set Up." Superintendents and Bible-class teachers are cordially invited.

TABERNACLE BAPTIST CHURCH, 2D AV. and 10th st.—Rev. E. L. Magoon, D. D., of Philadelphia, will occupy this pulpit on Sunday. Subject at 10:30 A. M.—"Straightforwardness." Subject at 7:45 P. M.—"Life out of Death."

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A DESIRABLE SUITE OF ROOMS TO RENT, with board; private bath; also, a fine apartment for gentleman and wife, located near Fifth Avenue Hotel. Refer to H. R. DREW, No. 3 West 23d st.

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Two extra large, handsomely-furnished rooms on second floor, without board; terms moderate.

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Handsome suite, with or without private table; permanent board at moderate terms for gentlemen.

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Two doors from 5th av., elegant rooms to rent, with board, on or before May 1.

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A choice suite of apartments, with private table and attendance.

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TO LET.—A DOUBLE ROOM FRONTING ON Broadway, with privilege of gymnasium. Apply at No. 1,514 Broadway, corner of 46th st.

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CONGRESS HALL,
SHELDON SPRINGS, SHELDON, VT.
Eight miles East of St. Albans.
Mineral water and baths; pure air; excellent table.
Write for circulars of terms and rooms.
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NEWPORT, R. I.

Mrs. FLAGG will receive applications for her cottages at Newport until May 1, at No. 434 5th av.

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BOARD AT GLEN RIDGE, CORNWALL, N. Y.—House open from May 1. JAMES G. ROE.

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SPACIOUS ROOMS AND GOOD BOARD AMONG mountains and the groves, quiet and retired. Families declining housekeeping well accommodated; unexceptionable reference. L. F. DUDLEY, Cornwall, Conn.

FIRST-CLASS BOARD MAY BE OBTAINED AT Greenwich, Conn.—Large, airy, and nicely-furnished rooms, with piano, overlooking the water; fine boating, bathing, and fishing; in a social family. Address F. T. S., Box No. 2, Greenwich, Conn.

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BOARD WANTED.

WANTED, SUMMER BOARD—FOR A GENtleman, wife, and four children, youngest two years old; also for nurse; within one hour from City Hall Park and near a station; plenty of shade desirable. Address, with particulars, EDWARDS, Box No. 143 Times Office.

WANTED—FOR THE SUMMER MONTHS, IN NEWJersey, Orange Mountain preferred, or on the Hudson, in a private family or private boarding-house, two good connecting rooms, with first-class board, for gentleman, wife, infant, and nurse. Address, with full particulars, Post Office Box No. 5,608, New-York.

A SINGLE GENTLEMAN, WITH BEST REFERences, wants of a party permanently located, (owner of house preferred,) between 14th and 34th sts., one or two rooms, on second or third floor; perhaps board also. Address, giving full particulars, M. CLAYTON, No. 4 Clinton place.

FURNISHED OR PARTLY-FURNISHED room and bedroom, without board, for a business man; would like board for wife and daughter when in the City, convenient to 4th av. and Madison square. Address BUCKLEY, No. 174 5th av.

TWO GENTLEMEN DESIRE P

THE LATE OCEAN DISASTERS.

THE NEDERLAND.

THE STEAMER IN A CRITICAL POSITION—HOPES ENTERTAINED FOR HER SAFETY.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

PHILADELPHIA, April 17.—The absence of definite information from the stranded steam-ship Nederland, and the fact that rough weather continues to prevail on the New-Jersey coast, have had a tendency to increase the anxiety and excitement in relation to the matter among those who are interested in the ill-fortuned vessel. A correction must be made with regard to the statement telegraphed yesterday about the place where the ship lays, she being ashore on the extreme North Shoals, where, on account of the rising tide and the buffeting winds, she has been drawn to a more critical position than that occupied yesterday. Persons who have arrived from Atlantic City state that the Nederland's cargo is being removed by lighters as rapidly as possible, portions of it, also, being thrown overboard; and these reports are likely to be correct, for the agents here gave directions that she should be relieved in any manner that was deemed advisable. Capt. Morse, the Marine Superintendent, Mr. Marshall, resident Engineer, and Capt. Deacon, agent of the Board of Underwriters, who went down to the coast to assist in getting the steamer off, found it necessary to return to Atlantic City this morning, as they believe it impossible to reach the stranded ship in her present position, which, they state, is inaccessible while the high tide and wind continue. Capt. James, of the Nederland, does not seem to be sanguine of success in his efforts to relieve his ship, as he remarks in a telegram that she is hard aground and is pounding though not leaking. Several experienced officers have arrived at the scene of the disaster, and, with the assistance of a wrecking corps, strenuous exertions will be made by the company's men and others to get her off as soon as she can be approached. It was impossible, this afternoon, even for small boats to reach her, and your correspondent was informed at the office of the Board of Marine Underwriters that she was lying in a very dangerous condition among the breakers, in a place near which several unfortunate vessels have met their fate, and that her cargo was already hilged. Peter Wright & Sons, the agents, however, express absolute confidence in the seaworthiness of the steam-ship, and say that they do not doubt she will withstand the perils of her trying position until she can be reached and relieved. The shoals are about four miles from Atlantic City, and the Nederland is a considerable distance from the mainland, so that it is difficult to obtain any intelligence. The hope was expressed by representatives of the line here to-day that she would be got off to-night, but advices from Atlantic City this evening are to the effect that there is no improvement in the weather, and that the Nederland is just as difficult of approach as she has been during the day.

NO LATER NEWS CONCERNING THE AMERIQUE.

There were no further details of the circumstances attending the loss of the French steam-ship L'Amerique obtainable at the offices of the company yesterday. It is doubtful, indeed, whether the agent had any further particulars, but, in any event, he notified the reporters that he would give the press no information. Capt. Lemarie and one or two others of the officers of the Europe will sail to-day on board the German steamer Rhein. The steam-ship Greece sails to-day, also, for Liverpool. Capt. Thomas has received quite a number of letters from passengers of the Europe and Greece expressing their high appreciation of the service rendered them and of the ability and judgment displayed by him during the occurrence of the disaster to the Europe. Yesterday five Sisters of Mercy from Cincinnati, who had purchased their tickets for France by the French Line, and who were to have sailed to-day by the chartered substitute steamer Köng Sverre, called at the company's office and asked to have their passage-money returned to them. The money was refunded, and they will leave to-day on the steamer Baltic, of the White Star Line. A Frenchman called at the offices yesterday morning also to purchase a steerage-passage ticket by the Köng Sverre. He had made, apparently, all the requisite inquiries, and it looked as though he was perfectly satisfied, when an afterthought occurred. He asked if the fare included wine at meals. When informed that wine was not furnished for steerage fares he apologetically bowed and deprecated the fact, but said he couldn't, therefore, take passage by that line, and he didn't. The chances are that he will never reach France unless he foregoes the wine or buys a cabin-passage ticket. The following is a list of the insurances, as far as could be ascertained, of the shippers on their shipments on board of the L'Amerique:

Alfred Merian & Co., No. 54 Exchange place, shipped 204 bales of cotton, 205 barrels of potash, 1 tierce of rice, and 14,600 bushels of wheat, $42,785; insured in Europe for full value.

Kutter, Luckemeyer & Co., of No. 61 Worth street, 20 cases woollen dress goods, $9,230; insured for full amount.

Ferdinand Bing, No. 229 Church street, a case of silk and cotton, and a case of wooll n goods, $1,113; insured in the Atlantic Mutual for $1,650.

N. B. Falconer & Co., Broome street, 11 cases of worsted goods, $4,853; insured for full value in Europe.

Fischer & Keller, No. 46 Cedar street, shipment of herbs and roots, $150; insured for $177.

C. Heydecker, No. 69 Pine street, shipment of bacon, bones, and hides, $20,208; insured for $8,000 in America and $12,000 in Europe.

E. B. Heydecker, No. 40 Exchange place, shipment of tallow and lard, $8,658 44; insured for $10,000 in Paris.

Carlins, De Ruyter & Co., No. 57 Beaver street, shipment of potash, $2,102 85; insured in France for full value.

Boyd & Hincken, No. 3 William street, shipment of oxrs and ashes, $381; not known to have been insured.

Ferdinand Blumenthal, No. 16 Spruce street, shipment one case dress goat skins; insured in Atlantic Mutual for $1,050.

A. Stephani & Co., No. 44 Broadway, 3 cases of leather and 1 box of wine, value $240; insured for the full amount.

Tiffany & Co., Union square, silverware, value $2,000; insured for the full amount.

Baumann & Co., No. 131 Pearl street, 303 boxes of bacon, value $12,000; insured for the full amount in foreign companies.

R. Neumann & Co., No. 76 Duane street, 170 bundles salted hides, value $10,600; insured for the full amount in English companies.

Corse & Thompson, No. 89 Gold street, 352 bundles of salted hides, value $15,434; insured at Lloyds for the full amount.

Chickering & Sons, No. 11 East Fourteenth street, 1 grand piano, value $700; not insured.

J. Macy's Sons, No. 169 Front street, 2 hogsheads of stearine, value $240; insured for the full amount in American companies.

Lewis & Conger, No. 601 Sixth avenue, 2 shaker chairs, 2 sets of chair cushions, value $40; not insured.

North Atlantic Express Company shipment, 1 box of charts, 1 box of dental goods; insurance not known at the office.

E. Fougera, No. 30 North William street, shipment 2 barrels of cod-liver oil, $110; not insured.

Alexis Godillot, corner of Reade street and West Broadway, shipment 30,820 bushels of wheat, valued at $50,000; insured for more than the value.

ANOTHER VESSEL WRECKED.

LOSS OF THE STEAMER TACNA—NINETEEN PERSONS DROWNED.

In our dispatches from South America, published in another column, brief mention is made of the wreck, on the 14th of March, of the Tacna, a steamer belonging to the Pacific Steam Navigation Company. Nineteen lives were lost. The vessel left the port of Valparaiso on the evening of March, 13, on her customary voyage to Pan de Azucar and intermediate ports, with a general cargo and passengers. Nothing occurred during the night to cause any apprehension on the part of anybody on board, nor until the following morning at 4:15 o'clock, when, as the steamer was being headed to the land, she suddenly heeled over, and in about five minutes afterward filled and sank. At the time of the accident all the passengers and many of the crew were asleep. The Captain, however, was on deck, and he immediately took measures to right his ship, among others that of ordering the deck-load, consisting of bales of hay, to be thrown overboard. Capt. Hyde was ably seconded in his efforts by the officers of the ship, but not so by the crew, who appear to have been panic-stricken. Finding all efforts to right the vessel were of no avail, the order was given to lower the boats. The gig, in which the lady passengers were placed, was swamped on being lowered, in consequence of the forward tackle becoming jammed, and all, or nearly all on board, perished. Two of the crew got into the port dingy and made for the shore, despite the cries for assistance of the drowning occupants of the gig. Capt. Hyde and several of the officers remained on board until the vessel sank from under them, when they struck out, and after being in the water for some time, supporting themselves by clinging to pieces of wreck, the saloon deck having been blown off by an explosion caused probably by the water rushing down the funnel, they were finally picked up by the other boats. After remaining upon the scene of the disaster until all hope of recovering any more of the unfortunate passengers and crew was lost, the boats proceeded to Los Vilos, where the authorities and inhabitants vied with each other in rendering assistance to the unfortunate sufferers.

The total number of persons who have perished by this sad occurrence is nineteen, all of whom might have been saved had it not been for the panic which seized upon a portion of the crew, and the refusal of the two men who got possession of the dingy to render any assistance to the occupants of the gig.

Mr. Henry Empson, purser of the Tacna, was the only son of a wealthy curiosity-dealer in Liverpool. As the vessel was about to sink he jumped into the sea and was seen no more.

Leonardo José Luis Fernandez, third officer, who was lost, was the son of one of the firm of Fernandez Brothers, brewers, of Wakefield, England.

The Pacific Steam Navigation Company is a vast corporation, owning nearly 100 steamers, and monopolizing almost the whole steam ship trade of the West Coast of South America. The line is owned by British capitalists, and has been about twenty years in existence. Its route extends from Panama, southward, via Rio Janeiro to Liverpool, a distance of over 10,000 miles, and is divided into three stations. The north station extends from Panama to Callao, touching at Guayaquil, Payta, and Tumbez. The middle station extends from Callao to Valparaiso, the steamers touching at Pisco, Ios Mollendo, (the port of Arequipa,) Arica, Iquiqui, Pisagua in Peru; Mexillones, Cobija, and Antofagasta in Bolivia; Caldera, (the port of the famous Capiapo Copper Mines,) Chañaral, Coquimbo, and other ports in Chili, terminating at Valparaiso. The "Home" station, as it is called, begins at Valparaiso. The steamers touch at Coronel and Lota, and passing southward along the Patagonian coast traverse the Strait of Magellan; thence northward to Montevideo, to Rio Janeiro, across the Atlantic to St. Vincent, thence to Santander, Spain, to Bordeaux, and to Liverpool. The steamers on the home station are all superb Clyde-built vessels, ranging from 3,000 to 4,500 tons, among them being the John Elder, the Chimborazo, Cuzco, Aconcagua, Patagonia, Cordillera, Magellan, and Tupungato. The vessels on the middle and north stations are all of smaller dimensions, ranging from 1,800 to 2,500 tons, and built with deck cabins, suited to warm climates, as are our Havana and coasting steamers. The Tacna was a comparatively new vessel, named after a small town, fifty-seven miles inland from Arica. All the vessels of the line, with the exception of the John Elder, are named after rivers, mountains, or cities on the west coast, the latter vessel being named by the company after her builder, she being the last vessel laid on the stocks by him prior to his death. The Tacna belonged to the middle station. The company has been singularly successful in its career, the only loss sustained by it prior to this being the steam-ship Santiago, which struck on a rock in Port Mercy, Strait of Magellan, in 1865. The Santiago had run into this anchorage to escape stress of weather, and struck on this unknown rock when leaving the haven. Not a single life was lost, though the passengers and crew suffered some days of privation on the inhospitable shores of Tierra del Fuego, before they were finally relieved. The rock is now known on the charts as Santiago Rock.

A SCHOONER SUNK—THE CREW SAVED.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., April 17.—The schooner Wind, Capt. Warnock, of and from Trenton, for Fall River, was run into at 7 o'clock this morning off Beaver Tail, by the steamer A. C. Barstow, hence for New-York, and sunk in ten minutes. The crew was saved, and landed on Dutch Island. There was no damage done the steamer.

A SCHOONER ABANDONED.

SAVANNAH, Ga., April 17.—The schooner Thomas Fish, from Satilla, with lumber, has been towed into Brunswick, Ga., abandoned.

LINCOLN CLUB OF SEVENTH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT REPUBLICAN ASSOCIATION.

The Lincoln Club of Seventh Assembly District Republican Association held a special meeting in their rooms, No. 12 University place, yesterday evening. The President, Mr. Cornelius Van Cott, called the meeting to order, and announced to the members that they met for the purpose of making the necessary arrangements for the funeral of their lately deceased brother member, William Barber. Mr. Barber was in their midst last Sunday to accompany the remains of another deceased member, and to-day arrangements are being made for his own funeral. He was a general favorite, hence the regret for his death, especially as it occurred under very mysterious circumstances, being found senseless in the street on Tuesday night, with his head fractured. The funeral will take place from the club at 1 P. M. Sunday. A committee of three, with the President and Secretary, were empowered to procure a badge for this and similar occasions. The following were appointed pall-bearers: Messrs. W. Van Cott, W. Morgan, A. Reid, H. Overin, A. Kennis, J. Ward, D. Dorn, Jacob W. Gimble, and John Ris. Allen. It was unanimously resolved that the committee be empowered to appropriate from the funds a sum sufficient for funeral expenses. A resolution of condolence with the friends of deceased, and expressive of regret at Mr. Barber's demise, was then adopted.

THE KINGS COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.

The only matter of public interest that came up at the meeting of the Kings County Board of Supervisors last night was the report of the Committee on Military Affairs concerning the Thirteenth Regiment Armory. The Committee reported that they could not reduce the estimate for the building of the armory and have a suitable structure erected. A building such as could be put up with what remains of the appropriation after $65,000 for the site had been taken out would be unsuitable for the purpose and a positive injury to the surrounding property. The original appropriation was $150,000. During the debate which followed the reading of the report, Supervisor Clancy spoke in favor of selling the land and buying a new site, saying as much in the purchase as would enable them to erect a proper building. Supervisor Rowley approved of the principle, but was certain that although they had paid $65,000 for the ground a few months ago it would not be possible to sell it now for more than $40,000. Supervisor Clancy put his views in the shape of motion, which was lost. The matter was finally disposed of by the adoption of a resolution offered by Supervisor Trowbridge to the effect that the Law Committee be instructed to draw up an act amending the law of last year, and increasing the appropriation $14,000.

GARROTERS ON LONG ISLAND.

Highway robberies and burglaries in Long Island towns are becoming alarmingly frequent, and it is now extremely hazardous for any person to attempt to travel after nightfall. At about 12 o'clock Wednesday night, as a young man named Wm. H. Burnham, of Flatbush, Long Island, was returning home from New-York City, where he had been visiting some friends, he was waylaid in Washington street, Flatbush, by three desperadoes. He was seized by the throat by one villain and rendered nearly powerless, while the other two rifled his pockets. A gold watch and chain, together with a sum of money, was taken from him before he could raise a cry for assistance, and he was then allowed to depart, but not without the garroters threatening to kill him if he dared to speak of the affair. As soon as he was released, however, he raised an alarm, and in a very short time a number of people gathered and started in pursuit. The thieves had obtained a good start, and it was impossible to overtake them, although they could be heard running a short distance ahead. After being followed for about a mile, the highwaymen entered a wagon, and drove off rapidly in the direction of the City.

THE TEMPERANCE MOVEMENT.

Daily prayer-meetings in the interest of temperance are still held in the parlors of the Young Men's Christian Association building on Twenty-third street. The meetings are private, and the attendance daily, though small, is increasing, and considerable zeal in behalf of the cause is manifested. At the close of the regular meeting yesterday afternoon, the falling rain did not prevent several of the ladies from visiting some of the liquor saloons in the vicinity, and pleading with the proprietors to abandon the sale of intoxicating beverages. One of the first places visited yesterday was a lager-beer saloon on the east side of Fourth avenue, above Twenty-fifth street, kept by a jovial German. He was considerably astonished to have a call from the ladies, and received them quite blandly, but no amount of pleading could induce him to promise to quit selling his beer. The ladies did not tarry long at his place, as the saloon was full of customers, and they almost stared the visitors out of countenance. Proceeding further the ladies called at the saloon of a small hotel and one or two other places, but beyond the distribution of a few tracts nothing was accomplished. No prayers have been offered in the saloons of this City as yet.

THE BROOKLYN TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION.

A lecture was delivered by Superintendent Fields, of the Brooklyn Public Schools, before the Brooklyn Teachers' Association, at Association Hall, Fulton avenue and Gallatin place, yesterday afternoon, at 4 o'clock. His subject was "The School-mistress in Romance, Poetry, and History," and in justice to the versatile author it must be admitted that his production partook about equally of each of these three ingredients. He traced the rise and progress of the school-mistress from the earliest time to the present day, and dwelt, with evident appreciation, upon the inimitable portraits which the great novelists of the last generation have handed down to us. Jane Eyre, Villette, Mr. Wopple's great-aunt, and Mr. McCheakumchild, though the latter might more properly classed with the sterner sex, were severally held up to the approbation and ridicule of the audience. The history of common school education in Kings County, and the country generally, was also reviewed, and a bright prospect predicted for the future.

CORNELL UNIVERSITY.

REPORT OF THE COMMISSION ON THE LAND GRANT.

The majority and minority reports of the commission appointed under the resolution of the Legislature last year to investigate the condition of the college land grant, and the connection of Cornell University and Mr. Cornell with it, were submitted to the Legislature yesterday. The commission consisted of Hon. Horatio Seymour, Hon. William A. Wheeler, and Hon. John D. Van Buren. The majority report takes up the several points of inquiry in the resolution of the Legislature in their order, and in the beginning says that the People's College, at Havana, not having complied with the pecuniary conditions imposed upon its acceptance of the land granted by Congress for an agricultural college, the income of the same was given to Cornell on condition that that University possess a fund without restriction of $500,000 at least, given by Mr. Ezra Cornell, of Ithaca, and upon the further condition that he should pay $25,000 to Lima College. The money was paid to the latter, and Mr. Cornell gave his bond for $500,000 to Cornell University, payable within ten years, with interest semi-annually, which, with its collateral security, was accepted by the Controller as satisfactory. The whole principal will be due in 1875. He has also given to the University, as estimated by its officers, land and other property of the value of $167,321 34. He has also advanced, as claimed in his accounts, to pay taxes and expenses upon land, under the contract set forth below, about $290,000, including interest. He is now bound to the State for $179,600 in part payment of land-scrip. The State received scrip for 989,920 acres of public lands. Of this 76,000 acres were sold for cash before 1865, and all the rest of the scrip, representing 913,920 acres, has been sold to Mr. Cornell, 100,000 acres at fifty cents, and the remainder at thirty cents, on condition that he should pay into the State Treasury the net profits arising from the sale thereof. These profits were to be divided, a proportion equal to thirty cents per acre being added to the College Land Scrip Fund, and the remainder constituting a distinct fund, to be known as the Cornell Endowment Fund, the principal to remain unimpaired, and the income be annually devoted to the uses of the institution. Of the 913,920 acres received by Mr. Cornell, 301,920 have been resold by him for cash and paid for, leaving 532,000 acres still to be paid for. For the scrip for 100,000 acres sold at fifty cents an acre in 1865, the State will be paid in full when Mr. Cornell's bond for $50,000 due in 1875, is paid. On the scrip for the other 432,000 acres the State will get thirty cents per acre, when Mr. Cornell's four bonds for $30,000 each, and one bond for $9,600, all past due, are paid. The present condition of the college land grant, therefore, is: The State received scrip for 989,920 acres. It has all been sold. For scrip representing 457,920 acres the State has been paid in full. The proceeds of this portion are invested in United States stocks, State stocks, city stocks, and in bonds and mortgages, except a sum of $12,000 secured by a mortgage on land in Ohio. For full payment for scrip representing 100,000 acres, and a partial payment on scrip representing 432,000 acres, it holds Mr. Cornell's bonds for $179,600, with collateral security, most of which collateral security, to wit, so much as is made up of certificates of location, is of no value. For the residue, it has an interest in contingent profits on lands of which Mr. Cornell holds the title, free from any lien to secure the State.

The report gives at some length the history of Mr. Cornell's efforts to sell the lands, and their results, for which it appears that Mr. Cornell's actual disbursements and cash receipts, disregarding interest, were as follows:

	Disbursements.	Cash Receipts.
In 1865	$51 60	.....
In 18 6	1,043 81	.....
In 1867	15,071 30	.....
In 1868	33,604 93	.....
In 1869	29,366 10	.....
In 1870	30,400 03	$10,000 00
In 1871	33,456 77	28,971 00
In 1872	27,221 65	81,334 99
Total	$172,225 19	$119,405 99

So that at the end of 1870, he was in advance about $101,000. At the end of 1872, this was reduced by receipts to $52,819 20. After the close of the account for 1872, he canceled two contracts with Sage and McGraw, and repaid to these parties $104,105 20, for what they had already paid him on the contracts, and for expenses incurred by them in examining the lands. Disregarding this payment, his disbursements in 1873 were $27,122 20, and his receipts were $19,791 18, leaving his net advances, if he had not returned the money on the two contracts, to this sum of $60,150 22. This must be added, in estimating his cash outlay, the interest which he has paid to the State every year on his bonds given for the scrip, which amounts to $87,564 22. The report says: "Giving him credit for the payment to Sage and McGraw, that is, leaving his account just as it stands, deducting only the principal of his bonds, no part of which has been paid, and the manifest error, the balance of the account, $499,004 60, is much more than his actual disbursements, including interest on the same.

The balance of his account is	$499,004 60
Deduct error of $4,000 and interest	5,837 92
Total	$493,166 68
Deduct principal of his unpaid bonds	179,600 00
There remain	$313,566 68

Moreover, his account is made up by compounding interest every year, to which he is not entitled. We have had the account made up at simple interest, and the difference is $25,171 17. Deduct from the above sum of $313,566 78 this difference of interest, ($25,171 17,) and it leaves $288,395 51 as the utmost which, taking his account as otherwise correct, he can claim on the score of disbursements. He has assigned the two contracts with Sage and McGraw and Dwight, amounting to the sum of $400,000, to the University as security for a bond of his, executed in 1865, to that institution. The account is not strictly in harmony with the agreement. That contemplates a accounting with the State for the profits on each parcel of land when sold, deducting, of course, only the disbursements and taxes properly chargeable to the quantity of land sold. Waiting this, and taking all his disbursements together, he has not advanced enough to give him such an ownership in these contracts as entitled him to assign them. The method of settlement, indicated by his taking these entire contracts over to himself, would give him not only all his disbursements but also the sum of its unpaid obligations to the State for the scrip, the State having meantime received nothing on account of its scrip."

Much space is devoted to a consideration of the present condition of the university, its purport being that its management for general educational purposes is satisfactory, its merits being eminently those of a school for general culture, and not of one specially for the mechanic arts and agriculture. The financial condition of the college, so far as relates to the annual income and expenditures, is, by the sworn statement of its Treasurer, this:

INCOME.	
From Ezra Cornell's bond for $500,000	$35,000 00
From college land scrip fund	35,000 00
From Cornell endowment fund	10,000 00
From tuition fees from students	18,000 00
From rents of rooms, &c.	3,000 00
Total	$101,000 00
Expenditures last year	106,089 12
Deficiency	$5,089 12

The estimates for the current year show a surplus sufficient to cover this deficiency. The income from the college land scrip fund and the Cornell endowment fund is, however, overestimated. The two together, so far as invested, make up a capital of only $600,000, yielding less than $45,000 of revenue. Mr. Cornell's account with the university shows that he has promptly paid the semi-annual interest on his bond for $500,000. In conclusion, the majority report says:

"We are asked, finally, to recommend what legislation is necessary to properly secure said funds in compliance with the act of Congress. None seems to be necessary in reference to the fund to be derived from what are called the ultimate net profits from the location and sale of the lands by Mr. Cornell, under the agreement of August, 1866. By his contract with the State he is to pay these profits into its Treasury, and he has twenty years in which to complete the sale of the lands. This fund is, in our opinion, a part of the proceeds of the scrip within the purview of the act of Congress, and cannot be legally distinguished from the other fund. Mr. Cornell seems to have taken this view before entering into the contract, for in a public communication dated Oct. 26, 1869, referring to a letter from himself to Controller Hillhouse, in June, 1866, he says: 'I volunteered to create a fund three or four times as large as that which the State could produce, for the same object that Congress intended, and at my own risk and expense, without charging a single dime to anybody for my services.' He could not impose on the State Treasury a new and distinct trust as to any part of the consideration he was to pay. Unless these profits are part of the purchase money, the State gave to him, for the college bearing his name, a monopoly of the scrip on long credit, for a price much less than its cash value. The second thirty cents per acre, provided for in the agreement, being dependent solely on contingent profits, which might not be realized, if at all, for twenty years, and then without interest, was not, at the date of the agreement, equivalent to more than from seven to ten cents. These profits being part of the purchase-money, the State is bound to receive them—when, from time to time, realized, and invest them in the manner prescribed by the act of Congress; and to appropriate the income to the educational purposes in that act defined. All expenses connected with the care of these net profits must be borne by the State, the act of Congress requiring 'all expenses incurred in the management' of such 'moneys' to be paid by the State, so that the 'entire proceeds' of the lands granted 'shall be applied, without any diminution whatever,' to the specified purposes. The immediate care of this fund, in its details, complicated as they are, ought not to be added to the multifarious duties of the Controller; he should be allowed a competent subordinate, whose sole business it shall be to look after the college land grant fund in all its relations. This munificent gift from the Federal Government ought to be managed with a care and prudence proportioned to its value and its lasting importance to the people. Having undertaken the trust, the State owes it to its citizens, and especially to the classes of men for whose benefit the grant was made, to be faithful in performance. The State is bound to require from Mr. Cornell a strict observance of his agreements; asking of him the payment of his obligations now due, or the deposit of the securities named in the act of Congress, and as to his contracts not matured the security which he agreed to furnish, and from the University a rigid conformity with the scheme of education set forth in the act of Congress. For the end of securing the funds the Controller and other State officers seem to have now all needful powers."

MINORITY REPORT.

Gov. Seymour disagrees with the majority in some of their opinions, especially in thinking that the requirements of the act of Congress have been complied with. He remarks that none of the witnesses or parties who appeared before the committee complained that Mr. Cornell had sought to gain any pecuniary advantage to himself or to his family in the management of the property under his control, and he recommends a readjustment of the whole matter by an equitable agreement between Mr. Cornell, the University, and the State; and proposes as such readjustment that Mr. Cornell pay for the scrip at the highest price it bore in market between the date of the agreement and the last delivery of scrip in 1870. He says:

"The undersigned regrets that he does not agree with his colleagues as to the effect of the contract and the acts of the Legislature, as he entertains great respect for their opinions. He is constrained by his convictions to urge that no action or position shall be taken which will expose New-York to the charge that it violates its pledges to Congress, or which will give rise to the claim that the State Treasury must bear the cost of taxes and expenses for the lands in Wisconsin or Kansas, for which it will release Mr. Cornell from his contract, or give him a right to complain that he is deprived of the object which it has disagreed the contract should effect. He believes the contract is a valid one, and that the honor and interest of the State require that it be carried out in accordance with its terms. He also advises that the trust be closed up as soon as practicable, and that the proper way to bring this about will be to have an open public sale upon terms which will attract purchasers. While there are differences of opinion with regard to the legal questions, it is believed there is a substantial argument in the minds of the Commissioners as to the propriety of adopting some policy which will relieve the case from hurtful complications, and which will be fair and equitable to all parties concerned. The undersigned suggests that with their concurrence the contract shall be recast. He suggests that Mr. Cornell shall pay or secure to be paid into the Treasury, in accordance with the act of Congress, a sum which will be equal to the full value, with interest, of the land scrip covered by the contract of August, 1866; that the value shall be determined by making its price as high as its highest quotation in market at any time between the date of that contract and March 20, 1870, the day of the last delivery of scrip under its provisions. This will put into the Treasury the full amount that Congress intended to give this State by the College Land Grant. The fund thus made up should be carefully guarded, but the State should cut loose from all other trusts or complications. There are no reasons which can induce it to take care of the property or funds of Cornell University which do not apply as well to any other university, college, academy, or charitable institution in the State of New-York. It cannot relieve itself of the land scrip fund, but it should not embarrass its financial offers with other educational or charitable trusts."

THE DEATH OF DR. CARLTON.

At a meeting of the Directors of the National Shoe and Leather Bank, the following action was taken regarding the decease of Rev. Thomas Carlton, D. D.:

The Directors of this bank have learned with profound sorrow of the death of their esteemed friend and associate, Thomas Carlton. In making a record in their minutes of this sad event, the surviving members of the board desire to express, not only a sense of their great loss, but their high appreciation of the virtues which adorned the character of their late companion. For seventeen years past he has been an efficient, influential, and faithful member of our board, who endeared himself to us all by his genial manners and genuine manhood, and who commanded our respect by the candid expressions of his opinions, his financial ability, his strong common sense, and his unswerving integrity. We shall ever treasure the recollection of the rare combination of moral virtues and business qualifications which mingled in his character. As a slight tribute to his memory, we direct that this minute be entered at length in the proceedings of this board, and a copy hereof be forwarded to his bereaved family, to whom we tender our heartfelt sympathy.

Resolved, That this board will attend in a body the funeral of Thomas Carlton.

A copy of minutes.

A. V. STOUT, President.

THE GERMAN REPUBLICAN CENTRAL COMMITTEE.

The German Republican Central Committee, Dr. Muhr presiding, held a meeting at the Teutonia Assembly Rooms last night, when the Executive Committee recommended the adoption of resolutions pronouncing against the inflation policy of Congress, and declaring that to Senator Conkling thanks are due for his course in this matter. The resolutions were adopted. A communication from the Eighth Assembly District German Republican Association was received, embodying resolutions, which were indorsed, censuring the Police Commissioners on account of their interference with the workingmen on Tompkins square on the 13th of February, calling for a full investigation of this violation of constitutional rights and privileges, and demanding that the guilty parties be punished. A committee, composed of Messrs. Rothschild, Friedsam, Gellmann, and Strong, was appointed to urge the confirmation of Ex-Judge Howland for Police Commissioner.

ACCIDENT AT THE HAMBURG DOCKS.

Considerable commotion was created at the Hamburg Steam-ship Company's docks, foot of Third street, Hoboken, yesterday afternoon, by the manœuvres of the steamer Hammonia, in endeavoring to reach her berth on the left of the company's warehouse. For several hours the steamer, which arrived yesterday morning, had been lying abreast of the further end of the pier, waiting for slack water to back around into her usual position. At about 2 P. M. orders were given to cast off; the steamer slowly swung round until her port side was parallel with the dock, and distant only a few feet from it, and then began backing into the slip. From carelessness on the part of those on board, or from some other cause, the head of the ship was carried some distance down stream, so that in coming in, her stern struck the warehouse, crushing in three of the stanchions and tearing away some of the heavy timbers on the side of the building. The supports having been withdrawn, the roof fell in, and for some moments it appeared as though a still further portion of the warehouse must go with it. The steamer was by this time under control, and no further damage inflicted. In rounding the corner of the dock, however, she came very near running down a canal-boat which lay alongside at that point, notwithstanding the fact that the crew of the latter warned them off by every means in their power. As it was, it was a very close shave. The damage to the dock and warehouse, which are owned by the Bremen Steam-ship Company, and leased by them to the Hamburg line, will, it is stated, not fall far short of $4,000. No one was hurt either on the dock or on the steamer.

ATHLETIC SPORTS.

At a meeting of the New-Jersey Athletic Club at Ridgewood, N. J., the following gentlemen were elected officers for the season: George E. Moore, President; W. H. England, Vice President; Wheeler W. Phelps, Secretary and Treasurer; G. W. White, Captain. The club then decided to hold their Spring Athletic meeting during the last week in May. The following was the programme decided upon: One hundred yard race for the championship of the club, 440-yard race, one mile walking match, and one mile steeple chase. The three first events are for the championship of the club, and the prizes silver cups. The steeple-chase is for a stand of colors presented by the ladies of Ridgewood, now held by A. J. Cameron, of this City, the latter also holds the 440-yard cup. The 100-yard cup is held by C. Harris, of this City, and Thomas C. White, of New-Jersey, holds the walking cup. In addition to these events, there will be a 100-yard race between W. Phillips and J. Quackenbush, of New-Jersey, and the association will offer a silver cup for a half-mile race to be thrown open to all amateur organizations.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS OF THE LIBERAL CLUB.

The annual meeting of the Liberal Club was held last evening at their rooms, in Plimpton Hall. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, James Parton; Vice Presidents, C. D. Bragdon, W. L. Ormsby, Dr. P. H. Van Der Weyde; Recording Secretary, D. I. Gardner; Corresponding Secretary, Dr. E. W. Hoeber; Treasurer, Courtland Palmer, Jr.; Librarian, Henry Evans; Trustees at Large, Dr. R. S. Hallock, Chas. Moran, and T. Wakeman. The Treasurer reported that the expenses of the club for the past year were $678 49; the receipts the same. The club has a fund of $1,165.

ARRIVALS AT THE HOTELS.

Col. Charles Heywood, of the United States Marine Corps, is at Barnum's Hotel.

Ex-Mayor Edward Samuelson, of Liverpool, England, is at the New-York Hotel.

H. B. James, of the Treasury Department, is at the Hoffman House.

Washington McLean, of the Cincinnati *Enquirer*; Ex-Gov. Burnside, of Rhode Island; Gen. George A. Sheridan, of New-Orleans, and Hon. J. H. B. Latrobe, of Baltimore, are at the Fifth Avenue Hotel.

Count Lichtervelde, of the Belgian Legation, at Washington; Capt. Cook, of the steam-ship Russia; Major A. S. Macomb, of Newport, and Hon. William Hamersley, of Hartford, are at the Brevoort House.

COMMISSIONERS OF CHARITIES AND CORRECTION.

At a meeting of the Commissioners of Charities and Correction yesterday morning the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

Resolved, That Warden Liscomb be directed to send to this board all information in relation to the material for a sail boat now in the basement of his dwelling, and lately removed from the carpenter's shop thereto, by whom the labor has been done, by whom the materials have been furnished, and by whose order the boat is being built.

CITY AND SUBURBAN NEWS.

NEW-YORK.

Secretary Robeson left the City yesterday for Washington.

Dr. Thomas C. Fennell, of No. 132 West Houston street, fell off a Third avenue car, at Thirteenth street and Third avenue, yesterday, and was severely injured.

Thomas Conway, aged sixty-four years, attempted to commit suicide yesterday morning by cutting his throat with a razor. He was sent to Bellevue Hospital.

[Advertisement.]
THE LEADING "SPRING STYLE" OF GENTLEMEN'S HATS is KNOX'S, No. 212 Broadway.

In the Court of General Sessions yesterday, William Jasper pleaded guilty to burglary in the third degree, and was sent to State Prison for four years and six months.

The reception of Sir Lambton Loraine, R. N., by the Army and Navy Club will take place at the club-house, No. 21 West Twenty-seventh street, on Tuesday evening at 9 o'clock.

The mails by the Russia, later by two days' dates, were distributed yesterday morning. The Russia arrived Thursday night. She left Liverpool April 4 and Queenstown April 5.

Post Office "Station D" is to be removed from the Bible House to Cooper Institute on the 1st of May. Station C, at No. 627 Hudson street, is to be removed to the corner of Hudson and Bank streets.

At the last reception of Sorosis, a letter from Peter Cooper was read, declining the invitation to became the guest of the society yesterday evening. The death of a relative prevented Mr. Cooper accepting the invitation.

Rev. C. R. Beal, of the Lincoln Institute, at Jefferson City, Mo., is to deliver his lecture on the "Past History and Future Prospects of the Colored Race," at St. Mark's M. E. Church, to-morrow evening at 7:30 o'clock P. M.

The Range Committee of the National Rifle Association announce that the range at Creedmoor is being rapidly put in condition, and will be open for practice on May 1, when targets numbered from 10 to 20 will be ready for use.

A meeting of the "Prohibition Party of the City of New-York" will be held in De Garmo Hall, corner Fifth avenue and Fourteenth street, this evening, at 8 P. M. All who are in sympathy with the movement are invited to attend.

Rev. E. L. Magoon, D. D., of Philadelphia, a former Pastor of the old Baptist Church in Oliver street, is to preach to-morrow morning in the Tabernacle Baptist Church, Second avenue and Tenth street, on "Straightforwardness," and in the evening on "Life out of Death." See advertisement.

James Colbert, who is said to be a notorious counterfeiter, was brought before United States Commissioner Shields yesterday. The charge against him was dealing in counterfeit fifty cent fractional currency. He waived examination, and was held to await the action of the Grand Jury in the sum of $10,000.

Emily Muldoon, aged twenty-two years, of No. 616 Second avenue, attempted to terminate her existence yesterday morning by leaping into the water, at the foot of Thirty-third street, East River. She was rescued from drowning by Patrolman Beekman, of the Twenty-first Precinct, and taken to Bellevue Hospital.

At a parish meeting of St. James' Church, East Seventy-second street, the following officers for the ensuing year were elected: Wardens—Andrew D. Letson, Walter Shriver. Vestrymen—Thomas Rutter, John H. Riker, William Rutter, Chas. W. Hull, Edward Shays, Stevenson Towle, Clark C. Wilson, John McDonald.

Judge Lawrence yesterday, in Supreme Court, Chambers, issued a writ of peremptory mandamus directing the Controller to pay Robert Bonynge $448 80, due him for extra services in taking stenographic notes in the Court of Oyer and Terminer on the trials of Tweed, Stokes, Ingersoll and others. Immediately upon the issuing of the writ the amount was paid out of the County contingencies fund.

William Webb, aged twenty-two, of Thirty-seventh street and Seventh avenue, were yesterday arraigned before Justice Kasmire, on a charge of stealing from the residence of Mrs. Fanny James, of Tenth avenue and One Hundred and Thirteenth street, one diamond ear-ring, two diamond cuff-buttons, one diamond finger-ring, and an opera-glass, in all of the value of $500. The prisoner was remanded to the custody of Detective Delaney, of the Thirtieth Precinct, in order to enable the officer to learn what disposition was made of the stolen articles.

BROOKLYN

About sixty additional laborers were employed by the Board of City Works yesterday.

There were 195 deaths last week, being 11 more than the previous week, and 15 more than the corresponding week of last year.

A widow named Charlotte Ayers, aged fifty-four years, was found dead in her bed, at No. 8 Vine street, at 8 o'clock yesterday morning.

Clemens Doran, who leaped from the second tier of cells in the Pen

TEXAS.

A RICH AND FERTILE STATE.

DESCRIPTION OF THE CLIMATE, SCENERY, PRODUCTS AND INDUSTRIES—INTERESTING TO IMMIGRANTS.

From an Occasional Correspondent.

DENISON, Texas, Monday, April 6, 1874.

Although this little town is still suffering from extreme youth, it would surprise an untraveled Yankee, and still more would it astonish a European, to see the progress which has already been made toward a settled condition of society. True, the close proximity of the Indian Territory causes it now and again to be visited by a gang of fierce vagabonds. Only a few days since, for instance, two such ruffians entered Denison, bought revolvers, and were going off quietly with them, when a Police officer courteously requested one of them to secrete the weapon, as he could be fined $25 for appearing armed on the street. This act of duty was construed into a threat, and that evening the officer lost his life. A reward of $500 has been offered for the apprehension of the murderer; but who cares to venture among Indians and frontier outlaws for $500? United States troops should capture and punish such ruffians.

As it is always best to go from bad to good rather than from good to evil, I have given my worst experiences first. In other respects Texas is a lovely land, notwithstanding Gen. Sheridan's remark that if he owned Tartarus and Texas, he would rent the latter and live in the former. This saying of the gallant soldier referred exclusively to North-eastern Texas, the land of the pine forests and of little else besides, but in no respect is it applicable to the other districts of this State. The climate here is delightful. The trees are already soft with the buds of early Spring, peach-trees are in blossom, and the air is fresh and bright, causing a healthy sensation not to be experienced in less favored climes.

When I come to speak of the industries of Texas I have comparatively little to say. The riches of the land are in its flocks and herds. Literally the cattle cannot be numbered, roaming undomesticated as they do over a thousand plains. Their quality as beef cattle is very inferior; they are deep in the forequarters and light behind, with spreading horns and long limbs. Immense herds of them are annually shipped south for Galveston, whence they are distributed through many States via New-Orleans. Others are shipped for Kansas City, St. Louis, and Chicago, and some of the Winter-fed animals are finally disposed of on the Atlantic seaboard, where, for want of quality, they meet but a slow sale at low rates. Now, however, that the Missouri, Kansas, and Texas Road has reached Denison, that the Central Texas Road is open to Galveston, and that many branch lines are being rapidly pushed through, a new phase of this trade is certain to develop itself. With a year over 1,000 head of fine quality neat cattle have entered this State, and improvement is steadily going on. In regard to the sheep trade I must say that mutton has not been produced until quite recently, but the wool grade of Texas may be said to be fairly established. The Texan sheep has been brought from Mexico. As dams the ewes are excellent, being prolific and milky, they produce good cross-bred lambs to any high-bred sire. The sheep region proper lies west and south-west of Austin, and the chief flock-masters are Mr. Davenport, located fifty miles west of San Antonio, who owns 15,000 head of excellent quality sheep that shear seven-pound fleeces; Messrs. Brown and Knox, located at Uvallida, ninety miles west of San Antonio, owning 20,000 head of good grade sheep, and Charlie Callahan, located on the Neuaces River, who owns 50,000 head of high grade sheep. A feature in the wool trade is the crossing of Angora and Cashmere bucks with the Mexican sheep. The fleece of the half-bred animal sells freely in the Mexican market at $20 gold per cwt., and is used for the manufacture of Mexican blankets.

The pine forests of North-eastern Texas are not so valuable as the pines of other regions, being of yellow pine. Still the lumber is good for building purposes, and is extensively used for such, as although fine quarries of limestone are abundant, in the hurry of new life time has not admitted of the erection of stone buildings. The day for the introduction of stone buildings, however, is not far off, as the railroad companies are rapidly replacing their timber buildings with handsome stone structures.

Cotton of a good fibre is grown largely in this State, but it is impossible to obtain reliable statistics, the records of Texas being few, and kept in what an Hibernian would style "a fast and loose manner." The immigrants needed in the Lone Star State are men of education and small capital, with steady, determined habits, quick shots, and firm horsemen—persons who, owning $5,000 or $10,000, could do nothing when competing against Eastern millionaires, but who in this section of the country could turn their modest fortunes in a few years into handsome and independent properties. To such men Texas says, "Come, we need you;" but to city-bred snobs, corner loafers, and saloon rowdies, Texas says, "We desire you not; soon the strong hand of the law shall place you where you belong."

Although Denison is only one year in existence, her streets number several. Here is the head-quarters of the Arctic Ice Company, and here also the Atlantic Refrigerator Company has opened its slaughter-house, and from hence dressed beef was shipped to the Eastern markets; but the supply of fat beeves fell short, and now this company is shipping from East St. Louis, Ill. As soon as the cattle get the fresh grass and again become fat, the business here will be resumed. Within a few days a French enterprise has been projected in Denison. Beef is cooked in steam tanks, so many pounds of lean meat being added to as many pounds of fat meat, or in other words, the various parts of the carcass are so assorted as to place upon the table a dish not too lean nor yet too fat. The meat is then pressed closely together, packed in tin foil, with a due proportion of gravy, which has been delicately spiced and salted, hermetically closed and shipped for foreign ports. Beef can be bought at two and a half cents per pound, and under the above process meat readily sold at twelve cents per pound—a difference which allows a fair margin for profit.

There is a richly-colored brown sandstone used here in building. It is soft while in the quarry, but becomes hard after exposure to the air. Of this stone is built the foundation course of the public school, the superstructure of which is of brick, with handsomely-cut magnesia limestone facings. The *coup d'œil* from the highest point of the town is magnificent. Stately trees, the primeval forests of the land, bound the horizon on the one side; on the other the rolling prairie vanishes from sight at the cloud-line; while in the rear one unbroken mass of lovely landscape makes the beholder wish he could be monarch of all he surveys. In short, this locality needs only the happy homes of intelligent agricultural families to be a chosen spot on earth. As the climate is Italian in its soft and genial temperature, the doors and windows stand open, yet no night is so hot as to render a blanket uncomfortable. The waters throughout Texas are salubrious. Some are hard for washing, but in such districts the cloud-water is caught in tanks and used for all domestic purposes save drinking. That this shall become a wine district seems to be certain. In some of the southern counties an excellent red wine is made from the mustang grape, a wild variety of the vine. Time only is needed to develop the beauties and resources of this vast country—we may truly say vast when we recollect that the extent of Texas is as great as the entire extent of the New-England States—and then how rich it is in all that is attractive to the colonist who has courage to make himself a home in a new country!

M. M.

JOHN QUINCY ADAMS VISITED.

The Boston *Traveller* says a number of the advocates of total abstinence in Quincy, Mass., paid a visit to Hon. John Quincy Adams, Wednesday evening, to protest against his allowing one of his buildings to be used as a club-room, where, it is alleged, that liquors are dispensed. The Hancock House having been closed, some of those who had been in the habit of spending their evenings there caused the establishment of a club. The good people of Quincy, however, did not relish the existence of such a place kept open late at night and on Sundays, and accordingly have of late circulated several petitions, one of which, issued by the Victoria Division Sons of Temperance, No. 45, was signed by 137 persons. Another petition, circulated by Miss Prescott, bore the names of 215 persons of both sexes, and embodied a similar request. Yet a third petition of like tenor was circulated by Miss Alice F. Brown, and contained the signatures of over 500 ladies of Quincy. These petitions were addressed to Mr. Adams, praying him to discontinue the letting of buildings and rooms for the use of clubs. These committees having the petitions in charge united at an early hour, and, numbering some twenty ladies and gentlemen, (nearly every one bearing the white regalia of the Sons of Temperance,) proceeded to the residence of Mr. Adams, on Mount Wollaston. On arriving at the house, Mr. William R. Brown, (who had the management of the affair,) inquired for the distinguished occupant, who presently appeared at the door. Mr. Brown stated that he wished to see him on business, and, on being invited in, Mr. Brown inquired if the friends accompanying him might also enter. Mr. Adams replying, "Yes, if you desire it," the company together entered the vestibule hall. The petitions were presented with appropriate speeches. Mr. Adams' response was a promise that he would take the matter into consideration, and an inquiry whether they had anything further to present. The plans of the committee having been carried out, it withdrew, leaving the gentleman to take the matter into consideration, and hoping for a favorable reply at no very distant day.

THE ATLANTIC TELEGRAPHS.

THE RIGHT OF NEWFOUNDLAND TO PURCHASE THE LAND LINES.

A letter from St. Johns, N. F., to the Toronto *Globe*, written on the 31st ult., contains the following:

"In former communications I have repeatedly referred to the probable termination of the monopoly of landing cables on our shores at present enjoyed by the Anglo-American Company, and the consequent introduction of free trade in Transatlantic telegraphy, with a lowering of rates to less than one-half the present charges. On the terms of the charter, our Government can, at any time after April 15, 1874, purchase the company's land lines, by paying them for their chattels and actual property, without reference to business or goodwill. The best judges consider that the value of what is to be purchased could not exceed $100,000. This will be a splendid bargain for the colony for, taking the lines into our own hand, and charging a very small toll on messages, a very handsome addition to the revenue will be secured, which may be indefinitely increased. A dozen new cables would soon be landed on our shores, and the whole civilized world would reap the benefit in cheapened telegraphic communication between the two hemispheres. At present the rates—four shillings sterling per word—are most oppressive. The Direct United States Cable Company will be prepared to land their cable in June next, at Port de Grave, in Conception Bay, where they have secured a landing site. It is well known that the Anglo-American Company, with immense money power, have been making most strenuous efforts to secure a prolongation of their monopoly. Mr. Bennett's Government gave them the choice of surrendering their monopoly and retaining their lines, or having the pre-emption right exercised. To this very fair proposal, the company have given no answer. It remains to be seen how Mr. Carter's Government will deal with them, and whether they will carry out the policy of their predecessors to office. In the Governor's speech at the opening of the session, the matter was referred to in the following terms: 'In the month of April next the time will have arrived when by the terms of the charter of the New-York, Newfoundland and London Telegraph Company the Government will acquire the right to purchase the property of that company in our island. It will be for careful consideration what course will be best calculated to conserve the interests of the colony in relation to this important subject.' Of course this must be regarded as the utterance of Mr. Carter's Government on the subject, and as far as it goes it is satisfactory, but requires to be followed up by vigorous action. Petitions, numerously and respectably signed, are pouring into the Legislature, urging that immediate steps be taken to terminate the monopoly in terms of the charter. These petitions come from nearly every electoral district which can, at this season, communicate with the capital. Five petitions have been presented from St. John's in favor of the monopoly, one of them bearing the names of Right Rev. Dr. Power, Roman Catholic Bishop of St. John's, all the Catholic and many of the Protestant clergy. Public opinion is very strongly pronounced on the subject, and appears to be almost unanimous. Still, there is considerable uneasiness at the ominous silence observed by the Government and its organs on the subject, more especially as it is notorious that the agents of the Telegraph Company were exceedingly active at the late elections. It is no party question here, as men of both sides in politics have signed the petitions. Should the matter not be settled satisfactorily at present, pre-emption can be forced at any time after April 15, and it is quite certain that the agitation of this question will be sustained here till the monopoly shall be abolished."

TIME'S CHANGES.

GOV. HENDRICKS APPLAUDING THE UNION SOLDIERS.

Governor Thomas A. Hendricks, of Indiana, made "a very effective" speech at a late soldiers' reunion in Fort Wayne. To follow the words of the report: "He recounted the numerous battles in which the troops of Northern Indiana had so signally distinguished themselves, and conferred honor both on the State and the country at large. He said he thanked them in behalf of the State of Indiana, of which he had the honor to be the chief executive officer, for their efforts in behalf of liberty and union of this great and glorious country." Lond applause followed this patriotic utterance of the good Governor, and we do not wonder at it. On this head the Chicago *Inter Ocean* says: "On the principle that there should be more joy over one repentant sinner than ninety-nine righteous ones who are already provided for, the fatted calf should most certainly have been killed for Mr. Hendricks. They had 'conferred honor on the State and the country.' Good! He thanked them for their 'efforts in behalf of the liberty and union of this great and glorious country.'" Better still! We see happy indications in the speech of the smooth and velvety Governor that the time has come when men are ashamed to own that they opposed these gallant efforts in behalf of the liberty and union' of the country. Therefore we rejoice. We say let every one hard to forget that the amiable Thomas A. congratulated himself in his speech at Shelbyville, in 1863, that he had never advised a man to volunteer to fight for that same liberty and Union! We gather up our blankets of charity together, and spread them close over his unfor unate record in the Senate and out of it, and say admiringly:

'How smooth and even doth he bear himself!
As if allegiance in his bo som sat,
Crowned with faith and constant loyalty!'

We do not believe in that vindictive and lasting malice which will never let a man embrace a virtuous life without constant reminders of his former wickedness. Therefore, let us forget the doubting Thomas of 1863, and bask only in the gracious favor and sunny smiles of the believing Thomas of 1874. There was a time, to be sure, when the encouraging words of the Governor were more needed than now, and when they would have been better proof of his sincerity; but that does not matter. It is a pleasant thing to know that at last the homage paid to soldiers is universal, and so when Mr. Hendricks disappears from the hill-tops of neutrality, and draws his sword in the cause of 'Liberty and Union,' though the fighting be over, we can receive him graciously."

MUCH SYMPATHY MISAPPLIED.

There was quite an affecting scene at the afternoon session of the Presbyterian Women's Board of Missions in Detroit, Mich., on Thursday. A collection was taken up by children, and among the bills and currency collected was found a plain gold ring, worth, perhaps, $3, accompanied by a note stating that the donor had nothing else to give; that it was the widow's mite. The *Post* continues the story here: "The President held up the golden circlet, read aloud the words upon the scrap of paper, and, in a voice trembling with emotion and with tears dimming her eyes, stated that here was the greatest offering of all, a widow's mite—her wedding-ring. Nothing was more precious to woman than her wedding-ring, and when such treasures were parted with it showed how deeply the cause of missionary work was implanted in the heart of the giver. Such deeds could not fail of bringing forth good fruit. The speaker continued until emotion choked her voice, and as she turned from the audience there were but few dry eyes in the church, many women gazing upon the wedding-rings upon their own fingers and sobbing outright. A lady from Chicago, mastering her emotion for a moment, arose, and addressing the audience, said she hoped and felt that the ladies would not permit this sacrifice; would purchase the ring at a good price and return it to the giver, and, that this might be done, she requested that the donor send up her name to the Treasurer. Before this speaker had concluded, scores of dainty, generous hands held well-filled portemonnaies, and the owners were opening them in eager haste to contribute to the purchase of the ring, but their action was arrested by a lady who rose, and, addressing the President, said that as she was the giver, she desired to correct an error. The ring was not her wedding-ring, but was one she could well spare, and was all that she was able to give. She hoped it would be accepted. To those having even a fair appreciation of the situation, and they were numerous, it was ludicrous in the extreme. Elegant handkerchiefs were removed from tearful eyes that now twinkled with suppressed merriment, and reminded one of an April shower. The portemonnaies slipped back into their wonted places, and there was apparent everewhere a strong propensity to laugh, but the time and place caused all to refrain. The President stood speechless for a moment, and then with an 'Ahem!' proceeded to the next order of business. The ring, however, was returned to the donor, the Ladies' Foreign Mission Society pledging $25 for its redemption."

AUBURN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

Anniversary week in Auburn this year is expected to be of special interest to the friends of the Theological Seminary, as the corner-stone of the new hall will be laid with appropriate exercises. Rev. Dr. A. J. Upson, of Albany, will deliver the address before the Society of Missionary Inquiry, and Rev. Dr. E. D. Morris, of Lane Seminary, is to preach the Alumni sermon. Dr. Herrick Johnson's inaugural address will be deferred in consequence of the action of the Board of Commissioners last year, giving the General Assembly a concurrent vote in the election of Professors, which renders their action necessary before his regular formal introduction into the Faculty. It is understood that the committee appointed to report on the expediency of consolidating the two Boards of Commissioners and Trustees will recommend no change.

FINANCIAL AFFAIRS.

SALES AT THE STOCK EXCHANGE—APRIL 16.

SALES BEFORE THE CALL—10 A. M.

1500	West. Union	73⅝	100	North-west.	Pref.	68¼
4800	do	73⅝	100	do	830.	68
700	do	73⅝	100	do		68⅝
1200	do	73⅝	200	do		68¾
1300	do	73⅝	200	St. Paul		41
1100	do	73⅝	600	do		41⅜
800	do	73⅝	200	do		41⅜
1500	do	73⅝	200	do	83.	41⅜
600	do	73⅝	100	do		41⅜
200	do	74	100	do		41⅝
100	Roa. Is. & Erie	36½	100	Lake Shore		74¼
600	Pacific Mail	44⅜	600	do		74¼
300	do	44⅝	1000	do		74
1300	do	44⅝	1000	do		74⅛
800	do	44⅝	1500	do		74⅛
1000	do	44⅝	800	do		74⅛
500	do	44⅝	1400	do		74⅛
400	do	44⅝	400	do		74⅛
500	North-western	67½	600	do		74⅜
400	do	67½	200	do	83.	74⅜
100	do	c. 51⅜	200	do		74⅜
100	do	67½	800	do		74⅜
800	Rock Island	98⅛	600	do	83.	74⅜
300	do	c. 98⅛	100	do	83.	75
200	do	98⅝	1500	do		75
500	do	98⅝	500	Tol. & Wab		44
200	do	99	200	do		43⅞
200	do	99¼	100	do		44
200	do	99¼	400	do		44⅛
200	do	83.	400	do		44⅛
1000	do	99⅝	200	do		44⅛
1000	N. Y. C. & Hud	97½	100	do		44⅛
2000	do	97½	300	do		44⅝
50	do	97⅝	100	do	c.	44⅝
800	do	97⅝	200	C. C. & I. C.		30½
900	do	97⅝	400	do		30¾
1700	do	97⅝	200	do		30⅝
500	do	97⅝	100	do		30¾
1500	do	97⅝	400	do		30¾
800	do	97⅝	100	do		30¾
1000	N.Y.C.& H. & R.	53½	100	do		30¾
300	do	97⅝	100	do		30⅝
500	do	98	200	do		30⅝
300	do	97⅝	200	C. & I. C.		30½
600	do	97⅝	300	do		30¾
1700	do	97⅝	200	do		30¾
500	do	98	100	do		30¾
1500	do	97⅝	100	do		30¾
800	do	97⅝	400	do		30¾
1000	N.Y.C.& H. & R.	53½	17	C. M. & St. P.	Pf.	58
12	C. & P. Coal. &	6	100	Tol. & W.	&	34½
200	do	88¼	300	do		44⅜
200	do	88¼	1100	do		44¾
200	Pac. M.S.S.Co.	44⅞	200	do		44⅞
100	do	45	100	do		44⅞
300	do	45	800	do		43⅞
500	do	45⅜	300	do		43¾
100	do	44⅞	100	St. L., K. C. & N.	Pf.	
200	do	44⅝	100	do		25
100	do	44⅝	10	P., F. W. & C.	Co.	94⅜
1000	do	44⅞	100	Chic., R. & Q.		103¼
200	do	83.	100	Atl. & Pac.	Pf.	15
200	do	83.	100	do		15⅝
400	do	83.	200	Ohio & M.		29⅜
200	do	44⅛	200	do		28⅞
100	do	44⅛	100	do		29
400	do	44	200	C., C. & I. C.		31½
400	do	43⅞	100	do		31⅝
200	do	43⅝	100	do		31⅝
600	do	43⅝	100	do		31⅝
200	do	43½	100	do		31⅝
1200	do	43⅜	100	do		31⅝
500	do	43⅛	600	do		31
100	Mich. Central	75	100	do		31¼
90	Del., L. & W.	106	400	do		31
20	do	105⅞				

SALES BEFORE THE CALL—12:30 O'CLOCK.

200	Western Union	73½	300	Erie	Railway	36⅜
700	do	73½	200	do		36¾
3400	do	73⅝	30	do		37
600	do	73⅞	700	Ohio &	Miss.	28½
200	do	73¼	100	do	83.	28⅝
2300	do	73¼	300	Union	Pacific	33¾
700	do	73⅜	200	do		33⅝
1700	do	73	200	do		33¾
700	do	83.	73¼	200	do	33⅜
700	do	73⅜	500	do		33¾
200	do	73⅜	500	do		33¾
500	do	73⅛	300	do		33⅝
700	do	73¼	100	do		33⅝
200	do	73⅜	800	do		33⅝
200	do	83.	73⅛	800	do	
200	do	73¼	300	Del., L. & W.		105½
500	do	83.	73⅜	200	do	105⅜
200	do	73⅜	100	do		105⅝
100	do	73⅜	200	do		105
300	do	73¼	100	North-w'n	83.	49¾
300	Am. Dist. Tel	58¾	400	do		49¾
700	Pacific Mail	43	500	do		49¾
100	do	43⅜	300	do	83.	49¾
200	do	43¼	300	do		49¾
100	do	43¼	200	do		49¾
100	do	83.	43⅜	100	do	50
300	do	43⅛	100	do		50¼
100	do	43⅛	100	do		50¼
700	do	43¼	100	do		50¼
300	do	43⅛	800	do		50
100	do	43⅜	100	do		50
100	do	43⅜	100	do		50
2500	do	43⅜	200	North-w'n	Pf.	67½
100	do	43⅜	300	do		67¼
200	do	83.	43⅜	400	do	67
800	do	43⅜	200	do	83.	67
400	do	83.	43½	600	Rock Island	98⅜
300	do	43½	300	do		98¼
1500	N. Y. C. & Hud	97	200	do		98¼
300	do	97⅞	200	do		98⅛
1100	do	97¾	100	do		98⅛
600	do	97¾	100	N. J. Cen.	R. R. &	105½
100	do	97¾	200	do		105¼
100	do	c. 74	100	do		105
1800	do	73⅝	100	C. & R. I. R. &	Co.	99⅝
2600	do	73¼	200	do		99¼
200	do	83.	73⅜	200	do	99
700	do	73⅜	100	do		99⅛
20	do	74	100	do		99
200	do	83.	73⅜	400	do	98⅝
200	do	73⅞	400	C., C. & I. C.		30½
500	do	73⅞	200	do		30½
500	do	73⅞	300	do		30¼
2400	do	73⅞	200	do		30¼
2500	do	73⅞	100	do		30¼
1500	do	73⅞	100	do		30¼
1400	do	73¾	700	do		30¼
4000	do	74	100	do		30⅜
900	do	74⅛	300	do		30¼
500	do	83.	74	100	do	30¼
800	do	c. 74	300	Atlan. & Pac.	Pf.	15
800	do	74⅛	400	St. L. & Kansas C.		25⅞
265	Panama	106				

GOVERNMENT STOCKS—2 P. M.

$3,000	U.S. 5-20s Reg., '65,	10,000	U. S. 5-20 C., '67
	'62	c. 115	'67
1,000	U.S. 5s, Reg., '81	114⅞	

SECOND BOARD—1 P. M.

$1,000	M. & St. H. & S. J.	91	100	L. S. & M. So.	b. c.	74⅜
2,000	Erie 2d	98	400	do		74⅛
9,000	Bkln. 3s, W. L.	93	300	do		74⅜
1,000	U. P. 7s, L. Gt.	79¾	100	do		74⅛
3,000	do	79⅝	800	do		74⅛
5,000	do	80	500	do	83.	74
5,000	U.P. 10s, In.	85¾	700	do		74
5,000	C. & N.W. C. C.	73	100	do		73⅞
	C. B.	86¼	400	do		73⅞
1,000	C. C. & I. C. 1st.	85	700	do		73⅞
13	Cen. Nat. Bank	101	800	do		74
800	W. Un. Tel.	b. c. 73⅜	100	Un. Pac.	b. c.	34⅛
500	do	73½	400	do	83.	34⅜
200	do	83.	73⅝	200	do	34
400	do	83.	74⅜	100	do	83.	34
2500	do	74	100	do		34
700	do	73½	100	do	83.	33⅜
400	do	73⅝	300	do		33⅜
700	do	73⅝	100	do		33⅜
700	do	73⅜	300	do	83.	34
200	do	83.	73	100	C. & N. W.	b. c.	50
300	do	73⅛	100	do		50
100	Pacific Mail	b. c.	43⅜	300	do	83.	50¼
200	do	43⅜	100	do		49⅞
100	do	43⅝	1000	do		49⅞
100	do	83.	43⅜	200	do	50⅛
100	do	43⅜	200	Chi. & R. I.	b. c.	98⅝
200	do	43⅜	100	do		b60.	99
200	do	43	100	do		98¾
500	do	42⅝	100	do		98¾
100	do	42⅝	100	do		98¾
200	do	83.	42⅝	200	do	98
100	do	42⅝	200	Chi., M. & St. P.	b. c.	40⅜
700	do	42⅝	100	do		83.	40⅜
500	do	42	200	do		40
100	do	42¼	200	do		39⅞
200	do	83.	42⅜	400	do		40
100	Mich. Cen.	b. c.	73	100	do		40¾
25	do		74	300	do		40¾

200	R., H. & N.	b. c.	1½	200	Ohio & M.	b. c. c.	28⅞
200	N. Y. C. & H.	b. c.	97½	100	do		28¾
200	do	97½	50	do		44⅛
200	do	83.	97½	100	do		44⅛
200	do	97½	100	do		44⅛
100	do	97½	100	do		43⅞
100	do	97½	100	do		43⅞
100	Del., L. & W.	103	100	do		44¼
		b. c.	105¼	400	C., C. & I. C.	b. c.	30⅞
400	do	b. c.	105¼	100	do		30¾
100	H. & St. Jo.	33½	500	do		30¼
500	Amer. Dis. Tel.	58¾	100	do		83.	30
100	Erie	b. c.	36⅞	400	do		30¼
400	do	36⅝	200	do		30⅜
1000	do	36⅝	1.0	Chicago & N. W.		P.	b. c.	b30.	67
100	Harlem	b. c.	127	200	do		66¾
200	do	83.	126	600	do		67
15	Ger. Amer. Bank	91½					

SALES FROM 2 TO 3 P. M.

10	Cen. Nat. Bank	101	100	N. J. Central		104
400	Am. Dis. Tel.	58¾	300	Pacific Mail		42⅜
200	N. Y. C. & Hud	97¾	500	do		42⅜
2000	do	97¾	300	do		42⅝
50	do	97¾	100	do		42⅝
50	do	97⅞	100	do		43
500	do	97⅞	100	do		43¼
200	do	97⅞	200	do		43¼
400	do	97⅞	100	do		43⅜
100	do	97⅞	100	do		43¼
100	Erie	36⅞	100	do		43⅜
		83.	36⅞	200	do		43⅜
300	do		37	400	do		43¼
400	do		36⅞	400	do		43⅛
1000	Western Union		73¼	300	do		43⅜
400	do		73⅛	800	do	83.	43⅜
300	do		73⅜	300	do		43⅞
800	do		73⅝	600	do		44
100	do		73⅝	100	do		43⅜
700	do		74	300	do		43⅜
100	do		73⅞	100	do		43⅞
500	do		73⅞	500	do	83.	43⅞
800	do		73¾	200	do		44⅛
2600	do		74	200	do		44⅛
3500	do		74⅛	100	do		44⅛
400	do	83.	74⅛	100	North-western		67½
200	do		74⅜	100	do		50¼
1800	do		74⅜	800	do		51
900	do		74⅜	200	do		50⅞
2400	do		74⅜	400	do		51
8	0		74¼	100	do	83.	51¼
1000	do		74⅜	100	Del., L. & W.		105¾
400	do		74⅜	400	do		105¼
700	do		74⅜	50	do		105½
1300	do		74⅜	100	do		105⅞
1500	do		74⅜	150	Rock Island	83.	99
300	do	83.	74⅜	200	do		99
300	Lake Shore		74⅛	300	do	83.	98¾
500	do		74¼	100	do		99⅛
600	do		74¼	300	do		99⅛
1000	do		74⅝	200	St. Paul		41
5200	do		74⅝	200	do		40¾
100	do	b60.	74⅜	100	do		40⅞
3500	do		74⅜	600	do		41⅛
500	do		74⅜	200	do		41
100	do		75	200	do		41⅛
100	do	b60.	75	100	do		41⅜
300	do		74⅞	100	St. Paul	Pf.	69
100	N. West'n	Pf.	67½	200	Ohio & Miss.		29⅛
100	do		68	100	do		29⅜
100	do		67½	100	do		29⅜
200	do		67¼	100	Tol. & Wab.		44¼
300	Un. Pac.	83.	33⅝	500	do		44⅜
100	do		33⅝	200	do	83.	44¼
100	do		33⅝	100	do		44⅜
100	do		34¼	200	do	83.	44⅝
800	do		34⅝	200	do		44⅜
1800	do		34⅝	100	Han. & St. Jo.		31¼
100	do		34⅜	200	do		31¼
100	do		34⅜	100	C., C. & I. C.	83.	30¾
200	do		34⅜	300	do	83.	30⅜
100	do		34⅝	600	do		31
2200	do		34⅜	200	Atlantic & Pac.		15⅛
100	do		34⅜	200	do		15
1900	do		35				

FRIDAY, April 17—P. M.

The very boisterous weather through the day operated against business interests. The Money market rules quite easy within the range of 3@5 ₱ cent. on call, and 5½@7 ₱ cent. per annum in the Discount line. The offerings of funds keep ahead of the wants of the leading borrowers, which are seemingly less urgent. The Gold movement is rather brisker, with the prices quoted firmer, the extremes being 113⅛ @113⅜, and the closing quotation 113⅜. The carrying rates have been from 3@2@3½ ₱ cent. The speculation, though apparently more buoyant, is not steady or confident in temper. The Customs drain is at the moment light; to-day the aggregate is only $247,000. The Treasury Office disbursed $14,000 of coin interest and $15,000 in redemption of called 5-20 Bonds. The Foreign Exchanges are comparatively dull, with prime Bankers' Bills quoted generally at $4 85@ $4 88 to the £ sterling. The foreign telegrams are of tame markets for American Securities. The City Bank clearings to-day were $35,164,901 in currency, and $7,325,564 in coin. The Gold Exchange Bank reported gross clearances of $41,510,000.

The dealings at the Stock Exchange were extensive, and of more than ordinary interest. The market for nearly all the speculative favorites was very weak and feverish through the forenoon, the *bearish* temper notably in the ascendant. Prices fell off 1@3 ₱ cent. on the general list, under a strong pressure to sell, and the business, which was of unusual magnitude, was attended by considerable excitement. The recent sharp decline in values has seriously impaired the margins of certain speculative operators, and the somewhat indiscriminate rush to realize was, in part, traceable to this source of trouble. Through the afternoon, the transactions indicated a much steadier and calmer movement, and the final sales were at better prices, in instances fully 1½@2¾ ₱ cent. stronger than the noon quotations, closing with decided buoyancy. The Washington reports relative to the Pacific Mail subsidy were used to the prejudice of the earlier operations in this Stock. The quotations at 3 o'clock stood as follows, as compared with Wednesday night:

Closing Quotations—APRIL 16.

	Thursday.	Friday.
United States New 5s	116⅞	116⅞
U. S. 5-20s, May and November	121½	121½
U. S. 5-20s, January and July	120⅜	120

FINANCIAL.

City of Providence, R.I.

FIVE PER CENT.

Gold Coupon Bonds,

WATER LOAN,

DUE IN 1900.

For Sale at 93 1-2 (Ninety-three and One-half) and Accrued Interest in Currency.

Principal (and interest on the 1st days of January and July) payable in GOLD in New-York or London, in sterling, (four shillings to the dollar,) at the option of the holder.

Bonds can be registered, payable principal and interest, at the City Treasurer's office, Providence, R. I. This loan is secured by a sinking fund.

Valuation of the city, as reported by its Treasurer.....$112,481,400

Net indebtedness, including this loan, as reported by its Treasurer.....3,900,000

The real estate of every citizen of Providence is bound for the payment of these bonds, principal and interest. The right of suffrage in Rhode Island rests upon a property qualification.

The attention of investors is called to the following comparison of equivalent securities, payable principal and interest in gold:

Price of United States 5 per cent. gold bonds, over.114

Price of Providence 5 per cent. gold bonds.....93½

Difference in favor of Providence bonds, twenty and one-half per cent., or $205 on each $1,000 bond. The substitution of Providence bonds for United States 5 per cent. bonds at this difference would give, as accumulated profit at their maturity, a sum nearly equal to the original investment, or say $832 63-100 on each $1,000 bond.

We have already disposed of about one-half of the present issue of bonds, and now offer the balance to the public.

BLAKE BROTHERS & CO.,

No. 52 Wall st., New-York,

No. 28 STATE ST., BOSTON.

New-York, April 1, 1874.

VERMILYE & CO.,

BANKERS,

16 and 18 Nassau st., New-York.

DEALERS IN ALL ISSUES OF GOVERNMENT SECURITIES.

FIRST-CLASS RAILROAD AND MUNICIPAL BONDS ALWAYS ON HAND FOR INVESTMENT.

BUY AND SELL ON COMMISSION

RAILWAY STOCKS, BONDS, AND GOLD.

INTEREST ON DEPOSITS.

WASH'N R. VERMILYE, JAS. A. TROWBRIDGE, DONALD MACKAY, LATHAM A. FISH.

UNION TRUST COMPANY

OF NEW-YORK,

NO. 73 BROADWAY, CORNER OF RECTOR ST.

CAPITAL,

ONE MILLION DOLLARS,

invested in United States bonds.

EDWARD KING, President.

J. M. McLEAN, First Vice President.

WM. WHITEWRIGHT, Jr., Second Vice President.

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BANKERS!

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WE MAKE DEALINGS IN GOVERNMENT BONDS AND GOLD A SPECIALTY.

ORDERS EXECUTED IN STOCKS AND BONDS ON COMMISSION FOR CASH.

INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS.

New-York & Oswego Midland R. R.

First Mortgage Bondholders.

We beg to announce that the representative of the Foreign Bondholders has communicated with us, and states that if the foreign bonds will not be sent to this country for the 15th April, nor be deposited with the Farmers' Loan and Trust Company.

Those who have not sent their addresses and amounts to us are requested to send them without delay, care ALLEN, STEPHENS & CO., No. 25 Pine st., New-York.

D. R. HALSTEAD, GERRIT H. SMITH, H. BLENNERHASSETT, } Of Committee of First Mtge. Bondholders.

PROPOSALS FOR $3,899,494 86.

NEW-YORK COUNTY BONDS FOR THE STATE SINKING FUND DEFICIENCY.

Authorized by an act of the Legislature of the State of New-York, chapter 147, passed April 10, 1874.

Sealed proposals will be received at the Controller's Office, until THURSDAY, April 23, 1874, at 2 o'clock P. M., when the same will be publicly opened, for the whole or any part of the sum of $3,899,494 86 of "New-York County Bonds for the State Sinking Fund Deficiency," as authorized by section 2 of chapter 147 of the laws of 1874.

Said bonds will bear interest at the rate of seven per cent. per annum, payable on the first day of May and November in each year, and the principal will be made payable as follows:

May 1, 1877..	$389,949 48	May 1, 1882..	$389,949 48
May 1, 1878..	389,949 48	May 1, 1883..	389,949 48
May 1, 1879..	389,949 48	May 1, 1884..	389,949 48
May 1, 1880..	389,949 48	May 1, 1885..	389,949 48
May 1, 1881..	389,949 48	May 1, 1886..	389,949 54
Total.....			$3,899,494 86

The proposals will state the amount of bonds and what years of redemption are desired, and also the price per one hundred dollars thereof for each issue proposed for.

Each proposal should be sealed and indorsed "Proposals for New-York County Bonds," and inclosed in a second envelope addressed to the Controller.

The right is reserved on the part of the Controller to reject any or all of the bids, if in his judgment the interests of the County require it.

For full information see City Record.

ANDREW H. GREEN, Controller.

CITY OF NEW-YORK, DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, CONTROLLER'S OFFICE, April 14, 1874.

OFFICE OF THE GLOBE FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK, No. 176 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, April 13, 1874.

AT THE ANNUAL ELECTION—HELD ON the 14th inst., the following gentlemen were chosen Directors of this company for the ensuing year:

LEONARD KIRBY, WM. B. SKIDMORE, JOHN CASTREE, THOS. EATON, CYRUS H. LOUTREL, RUTSEN SUCKLEY, WILSON G. HUNT, DANIEL DREW, JOHN J. MORRIS, GEORGE OPDYKE, JAMES G. GULICK, THOS. REED, O. W. BIRD, GARDNER G. EVELIN, SAMUEL T. KNAPP, NATHANIEL SMITH, JOHN ROMER, EDWIN K. LIVERMORE, M. B. CARPENTER, AARON RUTHERFORD, JOHN KEYSER, MOSES W. FISH, JOSEPH SCOLFIELD, T. G. MATHEWS, JOEL D. HUNTER, AARON CLAFLIN, CHARLES H. LUDINGTON, HARVEY WEED, EZRA WHEELER, LEWIS J. JACOBUS, WASHINGTON L. COOPER, J. W. G. CLEMENTS, MARSHALL O. ROBERTS, EDGAR STARR, VALENTINE KIRBY, FRANCIS JENKINS, PETER ROWE.

And at the same election, Charles E. Crehan, Horton Frost, and Hector Armstrong were chosen Inspectors of the next annual election. At a subsequent meeting of the board, LEONARD KIRBY was unanimously re-elected President. ALFRED A. REEVES, Secretary.

COUNTIES, CITIES, AND STATES DESIRING

to consolidate their debts and to obtain funds on new loans, can make exceedingly favorable arrangements by addressing

FINANCIER,

Post Office Box No. 3,949, New-York.

OFFICE DELAWARE AND HUDSON CANAL COMPANY, NEW-YORK, April 8, 1874.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE STOCKholders of this company, for the election of managers and for other business will be held at the office of the company No. 71 Broadway, on Tuesday, 12th of May next.

The polls will be open from 12 noon until 2 o'clock P. M.

The transfer-books will be closed from the evening of April 30 until the morning of May 13. By order of the board.

JAMES C. HARTT, Treasurer.

THE NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK, No. 261 and 263 BROADWAY, CORNER OF WARREN ST., April 13, 1874.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE STOCKholders of the National Trust Company, for the election of ten Trustees for the first class and three Inspectors of Election for the ensuing year, will be held at the banking rooms of the company on the 28th day of April next, between the hours of 12 M. and 1 P. M. The transfer-books will be closed until the 29th inst.

J. C. CRUIKSHANK, Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES ROLLING STOCK COMPANY, Nos. 74 and 76 Wall st., NEW-YORK, March 13, 1874.

A GENERAL MEETING OF THE STOCKholders of this company will be held at the offices of the company, Nos. 74 and 76 Wall st., on the 23d day of April next, at 12 M., for the election of nine Trustees for the ensuing year, and the transaction of such other business as may be brought before the meeting.

By order, A. HEGEWISCH, A. Secretary.

$1,500 WANTED—FOR USE IN AN ESTABlished business. Good security and 8 per cent. interest. Apply at once to R. H. B. ANGELL, No. 410 4th av., New-York.

FURS INSURANCE STOCKS BOUGHT AND sold by W. C. GILMAN, No. 46 Pine st.

FINANCIAL.

George Opdyke & Co., Bankers, No. 25 Nassau-st., New-York, like an incorporated Bank, receive deposits subject to check at sight, with the additional advantage to Depositors of Interest on daily Balances.

Lake Shore and Michigan Southern Railway Co.

SECOND MORTGAGE SEVEN PER CENT. BONDS, COUPON BONDS OF $1,000 EACH. REGISTERED BONDS OF $1,000 AND $5,000 EACH. INTEREST PAYABLE 1ST JUNE AND 1ST DECEMBER. PRINCIPAL DUE IN 1903.

For sale on behalf of the company on favorable terms by

SCOTT, STRONG & CO.,

Bankers, No. 36 Broad st.

The nominal amount of bonds authorized to be issued under this mortgage is twenty-five millions. Of this amount SIX MILLIONS are reserved to extinguish or absorb the unsecured bonds known as the "New Sinking Fund 7s of 1882," and of the balance but ONE MILLION in amount are now offered for sale.

THE NEW-YORK

LOAN AND INDEMNITY COMPANY

NO. 229 BROADWAY,

(Opposite New Post Office.)

CAPITAL, $1,000,000.

Allow interest on deposits, subject to check, payable at the counter or through the Clearing-house. Accounts of merchants, bankers, and individuals solicited.

W. H. FOSTER, President.

J. T. BANKER, Secretary.

AGENCY OF THE

BANK OF BRITISH NORTH AMERICA,

No. 52 Wall st.

COMMERCIAL CREDITS

issued for use in Europe, China, and Japan, the East and West Indies, and South America. Also, Circular Letters of Credit for Travelers, available in all parts of the World.

Demand and Time Bills of Exchange, payable in London and elsewhere, bought and sold at current rates. Also Cable Transfers.

Demand Drafts on Scotland and Ireland, also on Canada, British Columbia, and San Francisco. Bills collected and other Banking business transacted.

JOHN PATON, Agent.

FYSHE & COMINGS,

STOCK, GOLD, AND EXCHANGE BROKERS,

No. 31 Wall st., New-York.

STOCKS, GOLD, AND EXCHANGE BOUGHT AND SOLD.

LOANS NEGOTIATED,

STRICTLY ON COMMISSION.

All orders will receive prompt attention.

THOS. FYSHE.

Late one of the agents of the Bank of British North America.

W. L. COMINGS,

Member of the New-York Stock and Gold Exchanges.

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CITY AND COUNTY BONDS,

CITY RAILROAD STOCKS,

RAILROAD BONDS,

and other choice Stocks and Bonds, paying 10 to 20 per cent., at the lowest market rates, for sale by

ALBERT H. NICOLAY & CO.,

No. 43 Pine st., New-York.

N. B.—Investment securities our specialty 22 years.

ANDREW STUART & CO., BANKERS,

No. 34 Pine st., New-York.

BILLS OF EXCHANGE ON

DAVID STUART & CO., LIVERPOOL,

(Payable in London.)

NOTICE.

TRUSTEES' OFFICE, NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY, No. 114 SOUTH 5TH ST., PHILADELPHIA, April 2, 1874.

A meeting of the First Mortgage Bondholders of the Northern Pacific Railroad Company will be held at No. 23 5th av., New-York, on TUESDAY, the 21st inst., at 11 o'clock A. M., for the purpose of acting upon the appointment of a Trustee or Trustees, under the said mortgage, to fill such vacancy or vacancies as may exist in the trust thereby created.

By direction of the Trustees.

A. B. NETTLETON, Trustees' Agent.

BROWN BROTHERS & CO.,

NO. 59 WALL ST.,

ISSUE COMMERCIAL AND TRAVELERS' CREDITS AVAILABLE IN ALL PARTS of the WORLD.

COMMERCIAL WAREHOUSE COMPANY.

Cash capital, $2,000,000. Office, No. 29 William st., corner Exchange place. Warehouses, Atlantic Dock, Brooklyn. Cash advances made on first-class securities on demand and time. Cash advances made on all kinds of merchandise stored in our own warehouses, or consigned to us, on favorable terms.

PAUL J. ARMOUR, President; JOSE F. NAVARRO, Vice President; WM. BAIRD, Second Vice President; FELICIANO LATASA, Third Vice President.

Paul J. Armour, Wm. D. Bowerman, C. H. Delamater, Jose F. Navarro, Feliciano Latasa, Juan J. Jova, John Baird, Thomas Murphy, Henry R. Hyde.

THOMAS HARGRAVE, Superintendent of Warehouses.

WILLIAM TOBIN, Superintendent of Weighers.

JAMES CLYNE, Secretary.

THE HOLDERS OF THE BONDS SECURED by the first mortgage of the Western Division of the Toledo, Peoria, and Warsaw Railroad Company are informed that the coupons of such bonds which matured Feb. 1, 1874, will be purchased at their face value by the subscriber, on presentation to him, on and after April 20, inst., at No. 31 Nassau st., New-York.

CHARLES P. V. P. RANDOLPH.

THE FARMERS' LOAN AND TRUST COMPANY, of New-York, are now prepared to collect the interest of the First Mortgage Bonds of the Logansport, Crawfordsville and South-western Railway, in accordance with the terms of the circular of Jan. 27, 1874.

Bondholders are requested to send in coupons Nos. 13 to 20, inclusive, to be exchanged for certificates of indebtedness.

WANTED—TO BORROW $8,000 FOR A TERM OF years; will pay eight per cent., and give first mortgage on real estate situated in the famous "blue-grass region" of Ohio; real estate worth $24,000. Address J. SWINNERTON, Marion, Ohio.

MONEY LOANED ON BOND AND MORTgage, on first-class improved real estate in New-York, Brooklyn, and Brooklyn, without bonus or premium. Also, first mortgages at lowest rates. Apply to C. G. PRATT, No. 113 Broadway, Room No. 24.

LOST OR MISLAID.—CERTIFICATE NO. 579, for nine shares of Eagle Fire Company, of New-York, standing in the name of Randall J. Powers. Application will be made to the Company for a renewal of said certificate. G. W. POWERS, Executor.

FOR SALE—AT A DISCOUNT, A FIRST-CLASS Second Mortgage for $70,000, Address Box No. 3,635 Post Office.

DIVIDENDS.

PHILADELPHIA AND READING RAILROAD COMPANY, OFFICE, No. 227 SOUTH 4TH ST., PHILADELPHIA, March 25, 1874.

DIVIDEND NOTICE.

The transfer-books of this company will be closed on the 31st inst., and reopened on MONDAY, April 13, next.

A quarterly dividend of TWO AND A HALF PER CENT. has been declared on the preferred and common stock, clear of all taxes, payable in cash, on and after the 24th of April next, to the holders thereof, as they shall stand registered on the books of the company at the close of business on the 31st inst.

All dividends payable at this office, where blank orders for dividends can be obtained.

S. BRADFORD, Treasurer.

OFFICE OF UNITED STATES EXPRESS COMPANY, No. 32 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, April 15, 1874.

THE DIRECTORS OF THE UNITED STATES Express Company have declared a Quarterly Dividend of Two (2) Dollars per Share, payable at the office of Wells, Fargo & Co., No. 65 Broadway, New-York, on and after May 1 prox.

The transfer-books will close, at the Union Trust Company of New-York, at 3 o'clock P. M., on Monday, the 20th inst., and remain closed until Saturday, May 2.

GEO. G. FARNHAM, Treasurer.

INTEREST ON CITY STOCKS.

The interest on the bonds and stocks of the City and County of New-York, due May 1, 1874, will be paid on that day by the Chamberlain, at his office in the new Court-house.

The transfer-books will be closed from March 24 to May 1, 1874. AND. H. GREEN, Controller.

CITY OF NEW-YORK, Department of Finance, Controller's Office, March 16, 1874.

THE MAY COUPONS OF THE REAL ESTATE mortgage bonds negotiated and guaranteed by the Equitable Trust Company, will be paid on and after the 1st day of May next, at the New-York office of the company, No. 52 William st.

JONATHAN EDWARDS, President.

ASTHMA AND BRONCHITIS EFFECTUALLY relieved by the use of Datura Tatula; for "in a most painful attack of asthma, Lord Dunsany had scarcely smoked the Datura Tatula for more than a minute or so when the symptoms abated, and in ten minutes more he was relieved wonderfully. He told me he had used it for years with the most perfect success. Certainly the inhalation had the most magical effect I ever witnessed."—Dr. J. McVeagh. "I have never known an instance in which relief was not obtained."—Gen. Alexander. Sold as tobacco in tins, as cigars and cigarettes in boxes, and as pastilles for inhalation in boxes, by SAVORY & MOORE, No. 143 New Bond st., London, and by all tobacconists, druggists, and storekeepers throughout the States.

SURROGATE NOTICES.

IN PURSUANCE OF AN ORDER OF ROBERT C. HUTCHINGS, Esq., Surrogate of the County of New-York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against CHARLES G. SMULL, late of the City of New-York, deceased, to present the same, with vouchers thereof, to the subscribers, at the office of WILLIAM K. MAJOR, No. 92 Cliff street, in the City of New-York, on or before the 10th day of June next.—Dated New-York, the 5th day of December, 1873.

JOHN F. McCOY, WILLIAM K. MAJOR, TOWNSEND WANDELL, } Executors.

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IN PURSUANCE OF AN ORDER of ROBERT C. HUTCHINGS, Esq., Surrogate of the County of New-York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against John L. Sleight, late of the City of New-York, deceased, to present the same, with vouchers thereof, to the subscribers, at the office of Augustus S. Crowell, at No. 42 South st., in the City of New-York, (being office of Marcus Hunter & Co.,) on or before the 30th day of August next. Dated, New-York, the 18th day of February, 1874.

THOMAS B. HEWITT, AUGUSTUS S. CROWELL, Executors.

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IN PURSUANCE OF AN ORDER OF ROBERT C. Hutchings, Esq., Surrogate of the County of New-York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against MENDELL JACOBS, late of the City of New-York, deceased, to present the same, with vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, at the place of business of M. De Wolf, No. 43 Canal street, in the City of New-York, on or before the 10th day of July next.—Dated, New-York, the 2d day of January, 1874.

WOLF & DE WOLF, } Administrators.

ja3-1aw6m8* MOSES DE WOLF,

IN PURSUANCE OF AN ORDER OF ROBert C. Hutchings, Esq., Surrogate of the County of New-York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against BENJAMIN J. CARHOONE, late of the City of New-York, deceased, to present the same, with vouchers thereof, to the subscribers, at the office of Henry Remsen, No. 19 Wall street, in the City of New-York, on or before the 10th day of August next.—Dated, New-York, the 5th day of March, 1874.

CATHARINE A. CAHOONE, Administratrix. HENRY REMSEN, Administrator.

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IN PURSUANCE OF AN ORDER OF ROBERT C. Hutchings, Esq., Surrogate of the County of New-York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against JOHN C. SANFORD, late of Fairfield, Conn., deceased, to present the same, with vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, at his place of transacting business, at the office of James R. Jesup, Esq., No. 56 Broadway, in the City of New-York, on or before the 24th day of May next.—Dated New-York, the 20th day of November, 1873.

n22-1aw6m8a* SUSAN E. SALTUS, Executrix, &c.

IN PURSUANCE OF AN ORDER OF ROBERT C. Hutchings, Esq., Surrogate of the County of New-York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against ERNEST CAZET, late of the City of New-York, deceased, to present the same, with vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, at the office of Dewitt, Lockman & Kip, her place of transacting business, No. 88 Nassau street, in the City of New-York, on or before the 25th day of April, 1874.—Dated New-York, the 17th day of October, 1873. CECILE J. CAZET, Executrix.

o18-1aw6m8*

IN PURSUANCE OF AN ORDER OF ROBERT C. Hutchings, Esq., Surrogate of the County of New-York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against JOSEPH A. JACKSON, late of the City of New-York, broker, deceased, to present the same, with vouchers thereof, to the subscribers, at their place of transaction of business, the office of Isaac Phillips, Executor, No. 59 Liberty street, in the City of New-York, on or before the 15th day of May next.—Dated New-York, the 6th day of November, 1873.

SARAH R. JACKSON, Executrix. ISAAC PHILLIPS, Executor.

n8-1aw6m8*

IN PURSUANCE OF AN ORDER OF ROBERT C. Hutchings, Esq., Surrogate of the County of New-York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against PHILIP R. WILKINS, late of the City of New-York, deceased, to present the same, with vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, at the office of Weeks, Forster & De Forest, No. 58 Wall street, in the City of New-York, on or before the 17th day of July next.—Dated New-York, the 16th day of January, 1874.

HENRIETTA S. WILKINS.

WEEKS, FORSTER & DE FOREST, Proctors for Executrix, No. 58 Wall street, New-York. ja17-1aw6m8

IN PURSUANCE OF AN ORDER OF ROBERT C. Hutchings, Esq., Surrogate of the County of New-York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against ALONZO CHILD, late of the City of New-York, deceased, to present the same, with vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, at the residence of Charles G. Child, No. 125 West Forty-seventh street, in the City of New-York, on or before the 20th day of August next.—Dated New-York, the 14th day of February, 1874.

CHARLES G. CHILD, JULIUS P. CHILD, Executors.

f21-1aw6m8*

IN PURSUANCE OF AN ORDER OF ROBERT C. Hutchings, Esq., Surrogate of the County of New-York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against MARTIN PABST, late of the City of New-York, deceased, to present the same with vouchers thereof to the subscriber, Laura J. Pabst, at her residence, No. 136 Stanton street, in the City of New-York, on or before the 1st day of July next.—Dated New-York, the 26th day of December, 1873.

LAURA D. PABST, Administratrix. d27-1aw6m8* MARTIN PABST Administrator.

IN PURSUANCE OF AN ORDER OF ROBERT C. Hutchings, Esq., Surrogate of the County of New-York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against SARAH MACOMBER, late of the City of New-York, deceased, to present the same, with vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, at his residence, No. 389 Washington avenue, in the City of Brooklyn, on or before the 20th day of April next.—Dated New-York, the 17th day of October, 1873.

o18-1aw6m8* GEORGE A. POWERS, Executor.

IN PURSUANCE OF AN ORDER OF ROBERT C. Hutchings, Esq., Surrogate of the County of New-York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against WILLIAM JACKSON, late of the City of New-York, deceased, to present the same with vouchers thereof to the subscriber, at his place of business, No. 59 Pine street, in the City of New-York, on or before the 10th day of August next.—Dated, New-York, the 23d day of January, 1874.

ALEXANDER VAN RENSSELAER, Executor. MAN & PARSONS, Proctors, No. 56 Wall street. ja24-1aw6m8.

IN PURSUANCE OF AN ORDER OF ROBert C. Hutchings, Esq., Surrogate of the County of New-York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against HUGH HAZELL, late of the City of New-York, deceased, to present the same with vouchers thereof, to the subscribers, at the office of Franklin Parsons, No. 55 Liberty street, in the City of New-York, on or before the 22d day of June next.—Dated New-York, the 16th day of January, 1874.

WARREN FERRIS, FRANKLIN BROWN, HENRY COLTON, } Executors.

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IN PURSUANCE OF AN ORDER OF ROBERT C. Hutchings, Esq., Surrogate of the County of New-York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against ROBERT CAZET, late of the City of New-York, deceased, to present the same, with vouchers thereof, to the subscribers, at their place of transaction of business, the office of Isaac Phillips, Executor, No. 59 Liberty street, in the City of New-York, on or before the 15th day of May next.—Dated New-York, the 6th day of November, 1873.

ISAAC PHILLIPS, Executor.

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IN PURSUANCE OF AN ORDER OF ROBERT C. Hutchings, Esq., Surrogate of the County of New-York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against FRANCIS WARDEN, late of the City of New-York, merchant, deceased, to present the same, with vouchers thereof, to the subscribers, at the office of Weeks, Forster & De Forest, No. 58 Wall street, in the City of New-York, on or before the 17th day of July next.—Dated New-York, the 16th day of January, 1874.

CHARLES E. STRONG, ALEX. T. STEWART, Executors, &c.

n22-1aw6m8

IN PURSUANCE OF AN ORDER OF ROBERT C. Hutchings, Esq., Surrogate of the County of New-York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against JANE A. FOWLER, also known as JANE A. THOMPSON, late of the City of New-York, deceased, to present the same, with vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, at his office, No. 280 Broadway, in the City of New-York, on or before the 1st day of October next.—Dated New-York, the 27th day of March, 1874.

TOWNSEND WANDELL, m28-1aw6m8* Executor.

SAVINGS BANKS.

IRVING SAVINGS INSTITUTION

NO. 96 WARREN ST., NEW-YORK.

SIX PER CENT. INTEREST allowed on all sums. Deposits made now draw interest from April 1. Bank open daily from 10 A. M. to 3 P. M.

WALTER W. CONCKLIN, President.

VANDERBILT L. BUXTON, Secretary.

GERMAN UP-TOWN SAVINGS BANK, MONEY DEPOSITED NOW will draw interest from the 1st May at the rate of SIX PER CENT. per ANNUM on all sums from $1 to $5,000.

Bank open daily from 10 A. M. to 3 P. M., and on MONDAYS, WEDNESDAYS, and SATURDAYS also, from 6 to 8 in the evening.

FRANKLIN SAVINGS BANK, CORNER 42D ST. and 8th av. Established in 1860. Open daily from 9 to 3; Saturday and Monday evenings from 5 to 8. Interest 6 per cent., commencing the first of every month.

LEGAL NOTICES.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE of New-York, County of New-York.—ADAM LINGER, Henry W. Schmidt, and Henry Claussen Jr., plaintiffs, against GEORGE BUCKNER, and Agatha Bruckner, his wife, Ernst A. Schreck, Charles Dietrich, and Pauline, his wife, John E. Schreck, and Alberta, his wife, Gottlob Gunther, Andrea Dold, Abraham Kühn, Solomon Loeb, Samuel Wolf, Charles Heinzel, Valentine Frees, Sebastian Westerman, James C. Andrews, The Board of Commissioners of Excise of the Town of Morrisania, George Reinhardt, Sigismund Kauffman, Alfred Knapp, Wright Knapp, Valentine Knorr, Emil Schultz, Robert W. Tailer, Peter Leuk, Johannes Carlsen, William Schlesanger, William C. Steinkampf, The Merchants' Exchange National Bank of the City of New-York, William H. Bradley, Wilder H. Pray, George F. Drew, and Louis Bucki, Defendants.—Summons for relief. (Com. not sec.) To the defendants—You are hereby summoned and required to answer the complaint in this action, which will be filed in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New-York, at the new Court-house, in said City of New-York, and to serve a copy of your answer to the said complaint on the subscriber at his office, No. 261 Broadway, in said City of New-York, within twenty days after the service of this summons on you, exclusive of the day of such service; and if you fail to answer the said complaint within the time aforesaid, the plaintiffs in this action will apply to the court for the relief demanded in the complaint.—Dated New-York, Feb. 18, 1874.

ADOLF LEVINGER, Plaintiffs' Attorney.

The complaint in the above entitled action was filed in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New-York, on the 25th day of February, 1874.

ADOLF LEVINGER, Plaintiffs' Attorney.

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LOST AND FOUND.

LOST.—SUPPOSED TO HAVE BEEN TAKEN BY mistake from the Woodbine, corner 13th st. and 6th av., on the evening of the 11th inst., a SUBSCRIPTION-BOOK to a monthly publication. A suitable reward will be paid for its return to A. BRENTANO, No. 33 Union square.

LOST—HERRING SAFE-KEY NO. 26,559.—FINDER will be rewarded if he will leave it with advertising clerk, *Times* Office.

PROPOSALS.

PROPOSALS FOR MATERIALS TO BE SUPPLIED TO THE NAVY-YARDS UNDER THE COGNIZANCE OF THE BUREAU OF CONSTRUCTION AND REPAIR.

NAVY DEPARTMENT, BUREAU OF CONSTRUCTION AND REPAIR, WASHINGTON, D. C., April 6, 1874.

Sealed proposals to furnish timber and other materials for the navy for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1875, will be received at this bureau until 12 o'clock M. of Thursday, May 7, 1874, at which time the bids will be opened.

The proposals must be addressed to the "Chief of the Bureau of Construction and Repair, Navy Department, Washington," and must be indorsed "Proposals for Timber, &c., for the Navy," that they may be distinguished from ordinary business letters.

To prevent confusion, and facilitate the opening of the bids, parties bidding for supplies at several yards will inclose their bids in separate envelopes for each yard, indorsed with the name of the yard for which the bid is made.

Printed schedules for such classes as parties deal in and intend to bid for, together with instructions to bidders, giving the forms of proposal, of guarantee, and of certificate of guarantors, with printed forms of offer, will be furnished to such persons as desire to bid, on application to the commandants of the respective navy-yards, and those of all the yards on application to the bureau.

The commandant of each navy-yard, and the purchasing Paymaster for each station, will have a copy of the schedules of the other yards, for examination only, in order that persons who intend to bid may judge whether it is desirable to make application for any of the classes of those yards.

The proposals must be for the whole of a class, but the department reserves the right to reject one or the whole class, should the interest of the Government require it, before the execution of the contract. All applications for information, or for the examination of samples, must be made to the commandants of the respective yards.

Bids or offers will be received only from parties who are bona fide dealers in, or manufacturers of, the articles they offer to furnish. The guarantors must be certified by the Collector of Internal Revenue for the district in which they reside.

The contract will be awarded to the person who makes the lowest bid and gives the guarantee required by law, the Navy Department, however, reserving the right to reject the lowest bid, or any which it may deem exorbitant.

Under the provisions of the second section of the act approved March 3, 1863, the offer of any person who, as principal or surety, has been in default in any previous contract with the Navy Department, will not be received.

Subcties in the full amount will be required to sign the contract, and their responsibility must be certified to the satisfaction of the Navy Department.

As additional security, twenty per centum will be withheld from the amount of the bills until the contracts shall have been completed, and eighty per centum of the amount of each bill, approved in triplicate by the commandants of the respective yards, will be paid by the Paymaster of the station designated in the contract, or, if none is specified, by the Paymaster of the station nearest the yard where the goods are delivered, within ten days after the warrant for the same shall have been passed by the Secretary of the Treasury.

The classes of this bureau are numbered and designated as follows:

No. 1, White Oak Logs; No. 13, White Pine Plank, Boards; No. 15, White Ash, Elm, Beech; No. 16, White Ash Oars; No. 18, Black Walnut, Mahogany, Maple, Cherry; No. 22, Cypress, Cedar; No. 23, Black Spruce; No. 24, White Oak Staves and Headings; No. 25, Lignumvitæ; No. 32, Wrought Iron, round and square; No. 33, Wrought Iron, flat; No. 34, Iron, plate; No. 44, Steel; No. 37, Iron Spikes; No. 38, Iron Wrought Nails; No. 39, Iron Cut Nails; No. 42, Lead, pipe, sheet; No. 43, Zinc; No. 44, Tin; No. 48, Locks, Hinges, Bolts, of brass and iron; No. 49, Screws, of brass and iron; No. 50, Files; No. 51, Augers; No. 52, Tools for ship stores; No. 53, Tools for use in yard and shops; No. 54, Hardware; No. 56, White Lead; No. 57, Zinc Paints; No. 58, Colored Paints, Dryers; No. 59, Linseed Oil; No. 60, Varnish, Spirits Turpentine; No. 63, Sperm and Lard Oil; No. 64, Tallow, Soap; No. 65, Fish Oil; No. 68, Glass; No. 69, Brushes; No. 70, Dry Goods for upholstering; No. 71, Stationery; No. 72, Crunchies; No. 73, Ship Chandlery; No. 74, Acids; No. 75, Resin, Pitch, Crude Turpentine; No. 77, Belting, Packing; No. 78, Leather, pump, rigging, lacing; No. 85, Anthracite Coal; No. 86, Semi-bituminous Coal; No. 87, Bituminous Coal; No. 88, Charcoal; No. 89, Wood.

The following are the classes, by the numbers, required at the respective navy-yards:

PORTSMOUTH.

Nos. 13, 15, 18, 33, 37, 39, 42, 43, 44, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 56, 58, 59, 60, 63, 64, 65, 71, 73, 85, 87, 88.

BOSTON.

Nos. 16, 25, 32, 33, 34, 35, 37, 42, 43, 53, 54, 56, 59, 60, 63, 69, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 77, 85, 87, 88.

NEW-YORK.

Nos. 1, 16, 18, 24, 32, 42, 43, 44, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 64, 65, 69, 70, 71, 73, 85, 86, 88.

PHILADELPHIA.

Nos. 13, 15, 16, 18, 33, 38, 39, 43, 48, 49, 50, 51, 53, 54, 56, 58, 59, 60, 63, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 77, 85, 86, 87, 88.

WASHINGTON.

Nos. 23, 33, 35, 37, 42, 43, 48, 49, 50, 53, 54, 56, 57, 58, 60, 63, 68, 69, 70, 71, 73, 87, 88, 89.

NORFOLK.

Nos. 1, 13, 15, 18, 23, 25, 32, 33, 35, 37, 39, 42, 43, 44, 48, 49, 50, 51, 53, 54, 56, 57, 58, 60, 69, 71, 73, 77, 78, 85, 87, 88.

MARE ISLAND.

Nos. 32, 33, 43, 44, 48, 49, 50, 51, 53, 54, 56, 57, 58, 60, 63, 65, 69, 71, 73, 77, 78, 85, 87.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

Proposals will be received until 12 o'clock M. of THURSDAY, April 23, by the undersigned, at his office, **NO. 120 BROADWAY,**

1. For the **PURCHASE AND REMOVAL** of five buildings on Cedar and Pine sts., between Broadway and Nassau st.

2. For the **EXCAVATION OF CELLARS** and **FOUNDATIONS**, with the necessary **SHORING, SHEET-PILING,** and **UNDERPINNING** for a new structure on the said premises.

3. For the **EXECUTION OF THE MASON WORK** in foundations and superstructure for the same.

Proposals will be received for any or all of the above work.

Blank forms of proposals, specifications, &c., may be had by the undersigned, at his office, on and after Saturday, the 18th inst., where plans of the work may be seen, and further information obtained.

The undersigned reserves the right to reject any or all bids received.

All proposals should be addressed to the undersigned, and be indorsed with the name of the proposer.

THEODORE WESTON, New-York, April 15, 1874. Superintending Engineer. No. 120 Broadway.

PROPOSALS.

KINGS COUNTY PENITENTIARY CONVICT LABOR.

Notice is hereby given that proposals will be received by the undersigned Committee of the Board of Supervisors of Kings County, at the office of the Clerk of said board, Room No. 10, County Court-house, the City of Brooklyn, until 12 o'clock M. of MONDAY, the 20th day of April, 1874, for the labor of three hundred and fifty male and fifty female convicts, (more or less of each,) able bodied, and under sentence for terms not less than three months to ten years, now and hereafter to be imprisoned in the Penitentiary of said county. The present contract of C. D. Bigelow & Co. as contractors of ladies' shoes, expires on the 14th day of July, 1874, and a new contract is to be made in lieu thereof.

Proposals will be for the term of five years, commencing with the 15th day of July, 1874, and to state the price per diem for each convict, and the kind of labor to be carried on.

The prison has good, commodious, and suitable workshops for the employment of such convicts.

Full particulars of the institution, its present and past management, and discipline, can be obtained on application at the office or the said Clerk or Warden at the keeper of the Penitentiary, Crown st., near Nostrand av., in the City of Brooklyn.

By order of the Board of Supervisors of Kings County.

JOHN M. CLANCY, DANIEL O. CONNELL, WM. RICHARDSON, ADOLPH GUBNER, JOHN H. SNYDER, JOHN MCKENY, J. L. EYDER, } Committee on Penitentiary.

PROPOSALS FOR SUPPLIES.

NAVY PAY OFFICE, No. 29 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, April 10, 1874.

Proposals, sealed, and indorsed on envelope, "Bid for Supplies Advertised," will be received at this office until 12 o'clock 2d May next, for the following supplies to be delivered, or to be purchased, New-York:

BUREAU OF NAVIGATION.

10,000 gallons